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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
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*Planned Mr. Lamm
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 21, 1935

Time - 9:50 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Agent Kingman at the Jacksonville Office with reference to his telephone call to me last evening relative to the information furnished by the Chief of Police at Miami to Agent Fitzsimmons to the effect that Karpis and Campbell were in Clewiston, Florida.

Mr. Kingman stated that the information had been checked by Fitzsimmons, who ascertained that there was absolutely nothing to it; that when the Agent contacted the Chief of Police, it was ascertained that he had misrepresented the facts in his call to the Agent, and it is absolutely certain that the matter is a hoax.

Mr. Kingman further stated that this information was furnished the Bureau via telegram last evening.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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ERKID REFERENCE BIXXX PRIOR PUBLICITY AS TO ALLEGED MISTREATMENT OF PRISONER MATTHEW GLEASON WHO WAS INTERVIEWED MORNING OF FEBRUARY EIGH BY AGENTS T M MCDADE, L D NICHOLS AND J J METCALFE. GLEASON WAS RELEASED ON BOND CHICAGO FEBRUARY 15TH AND TRIBUNE PAPER CHICAGO WHICH FORST FOSTERED IDEA AND AURORA DAILY BEACON NEWS TODAY CARRIES STATEMENT GLEASON WAS STRUCK BY AGENTS DURING INTERVIEW. HIS ATTORNEY, EMIL SCHLAN, CLAIMS DOCTOR WALTER VENN CHICAGO EXAMINED GLEASON AND FOUND BRUISES, TWO BLACK EYES AND CONTUIONS FO HANDS AND THAT HE, SCHLAN, IS TO MAKE COMPLAINT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FORARDING COPY DOCTORS REPORT. GLEASON CLAIMS HE SIGNED STATEMTN NOT KNOWING WHAT HE SIGNED. GLEASON PERSONALLY INTERVIEWED BY ME AFTER ALLEGED TIME OF MISTREATMENT ADMITTED SUBSTANTIALLY SAME AS IN STATEMENT AND AT NO TIME ADVISED OR COMPLAINED TO ME HE HAD BEEN MISTREATED. HIS EYES SHOWED DISCOLORATION, HOWEVER, HE AND AGENT MCINTIRE ON PRIOR NIGHT BOTH FELL ACCIDENTLY ON ICY STREET.

NO FURTHER DEFINITE DEVELOPMENS INDICATING LOCATION VOLNEY DAVIS OR OTHERS.

MOTHR KARPIS RETURNED CHICAGO WITH BABY DOLORES DELANEY AND MOVEMENTS CHECKED WITHOUT RESULT. IMMEDIATELY SHE APPEARED HOME OUR INFORMANTS LIVING NEXT DOOR AND IN SAME BUILDING CALLED US ADVISING OF THIS DEVELOPMENT.

CONNELLEY

END

Mr. Nathan	_____
Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Backus	_____
Mr. Baughman	_____

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

February 23, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O.1240;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING Chicago file 7-82

This will confirm the telephonic conversation between Special Agent S. E. McKee of this Office and Mr. Tamm of the Bureau with regard to the attitude of the Bureau toward funds maintained in the Woodlawn Safe Deposit Company, Chicago, Illinois, in the name of F. E. Gordon.

In keeping with the suggestion of Mr. Tamm Special Agent K. R. McIntire of this Office communicated with Mr. Henry E. Blake, of the Woodlawn Safe Deposit Company, and made an effort to make an appointment with Mr. Blake in order to discuss this matter. Mr. Blake advised that as it was Saturday afternoon, neither he nor any other officers of the safe deposit company would be available for interview, but requested that a letter be directed to the Woodlawn Safe Deposit Company for the attention of Henry E. Blake, indicating the attitude of this Office toward the above mentioned funds.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter directed on even date to the Woodlawn Safe Deposit Company for the attention of Henry E. Blake.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge
On Special Assignment

KRM:LM

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CC: St. Paul

FEB 27 1935

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

February 25, 1935

Woodlawn Safe Deposit Company
1150 East 33rd Street
Chicago, Illinois

ATTENTION: Mr. Henry E. Blake

Dear Sir:

This will confirm your conversation with Special Agent E. E. McKee of this Office this morning, in which you advised him that a bailiff from the Municipal Court, Chicago, Illinois, had served a garnishment summons upon you with regard to the money in the safe deposit box rented from your company in the name of Mrs. F. E. Gordon, naming Jacob Schmidt Brewing Company, of St. Paul, as the garnisher. During this conversation you requested advice as to the attitude of this Office with regard to these funds.

This will also confirm your telephonic conversation with Special Agent E. R. McIntire of this Office on even date on which he advised you that this Office has no longer any interest in the funds maintained in the above mentioned safe deposit box. You were also advised that the only interest which this Office had at any time in this matter was due to the fact that a party, or parties, believed to have rented this box was considered a fugitive by this Office at that time.

I wish to thank you very much for your splendid cooperation in this matter, and be assured that I remain

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge
On Special Assignment

KRM:LM

7-52

CC: Bureau
St. Paul

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

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FEB 27 1935

7-576-4748

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 16, 1935

Time - 12:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case

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Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Backus	
Mr. Baughman	
Chief Clerk	
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Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

I telephoned Mr. Coulter at the St. Paul Office with reference to his conversation with me recently to the effect that there were an old man and an old woman in the apartment of the Conrad woman in Minneapolis. I inquired if he was sure that these people are not Harry Sawyer and Gladys Sawyer. Mr. Coulter stated that the people in question are at least 20 years older than either Harry or Gladys Sawyer.

I instructed him, however, to maintain frequent contact with this place and place it under surveillance at frequent intervals. Mr. Coulter assured me that he would instruct the Agents in Minneapolis to make frequent inquiries relative to the place.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

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U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Post Office Drawer 1457
St. Louis, Missouri
February 23, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St. N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O.
#1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases
I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases
I.O. #1237, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to Bureau letter of February 2, 1935
directed to the St. Louis Office to withdraw the temporary
wanted notices placed with Police Departments in this District,
for the apprehension of Fred Barker. You are advised that
this action has been taken.

Very truly yours,

R. E. Vetterli
R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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February 20, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of February 4, 1935, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. #1218, Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I.O. #1232, et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping, in which your office was informed that a cut film holder submitted to the Bureau was found to be empty on arrival here.

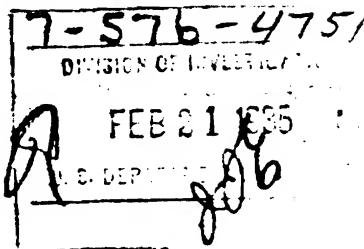
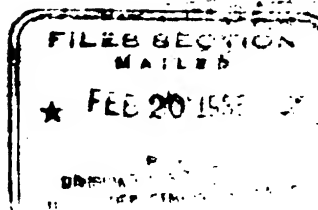
It is desired your office advise the name of the agent who attempted to make this photograph and submit an explanation as to the cause of his failure in this respect.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #2118
Detroit, Michigan
February 23, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O. 1237;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER with aliases, I.O. 1240;
ET AL - Edward George Bremer - Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated February 2,
1935 in connection with the withdrawing of temporary wanted
notices issued by the Division on FRED BARKER. *not 2/26*

This is to advise that the wanted notices posted in
this district have all been withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Chicago (SAC Connelley)
St. Paul

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DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C. 4:05 P.M.

February 18, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Backus
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
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Mr. Keith
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Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Gordon Dean of the Department called and asked if a report had been submitted relative to the harboring charges pending against certain persons in Florida - in connection with the harboring of Karpis. I advised Mr. Dean that a report was in the process of being prepared in the Jacksonville Office; that due to its lengthiness, it will be some days before it is received. He advised they had today received indictments from the office of the United States Attorney at Miami; that he did not believe they should be returned until the report had been received. I stated that the indictments had been returned prior to the time that much of the investigation was conducted in Florida; that this was probably the reason for the early receipt of the indictments.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1583

Butte, Montana, February 21, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly have sent the Butte Office
ten additional copies of each of the following Identification
Orders:

No. 1238 - William Weaver, with aliases
No. 1239 - William J. Harrison, with aliases

A sufficient number of these Identification Orders
was not received to complete our mailing list.

Very truly yours,

D. H. Dickason

D. H. DICKASON
Special Agent in Charge

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DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 19, 1935

Time - 10:00

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Special Agent Madala.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Backus.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Smith.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

During a telephonic conversation with the above Agent at Kansas City, I told him that since he was sent to the Kansas City Office for the specific purpose of interviewing Jess Doyle and Edna Murray, and since this has been completed, and the parties removed to St. Paul, he should immediately make arrangements to return to Chicago.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 19, 1935

Time - 7:00 am

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ^o Bremer Case.

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Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Madala telephoned from the Kansas City Office with reference to the proposed raid to be conducted by the Kansas City Office upon the apartment allegedly occupied by one Leo, who is thought to be involved. He said that they were prepared to enter this apartment, and the janitor of the building informed them that someone was in the apartment, when it was thought by the Agents that everyone had gone. He stated that he wanted to telephone the Bureau to get authority to arrest the person or persons found in this apartment. I inquired as to what grounds were to be used for entering this place and arresting the occupants. He stated that the evidence is pretty good that Davis was there after January 18, 1935.

I emphatically told Madala that all the evidence we have in this matter is the word of Jess Doyle and Edna Murray; that in regard to the bank robbery in which these people are supposed to be involved, we have only Jess Doyle's word to the effect that he got the money from this gang; further, that information has been received from the Oklahoma City Office to the effect that partial identifications have been made of Doyle as being a participant in the robbery of the banks at Okemah, Oklahoma. I told him that it is not the policy of this Bureau to promiscuously arrest persons who are thought to be involved in crimes without warrants and upon the word of other criminals.

I told him that the procedure which would be proper is to put the facts up to the United States Attorney, and if the Attorney will authorize complaints on charges of harboring, we can then have warrants issued and have legal grounds to enter the apartment and arrest the occupants thereof. I told him that in the meantime, this place should be kept under surveillance, but under no circumstances should persons coming out of the place be arrested; that they could be stopped and questioned, but under no circumstances arrested.

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February 21, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 888,
Chicago, Illinois,

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of February 12, 1935, transmitting a photostatic copy of the fingerprints of Bruno Austin in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping, your file 7-58.

One latent print appearing on the photograph of a bottle marked 7A which was taken from an apartment at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and submitted with your letter of January 22, 1935, has been identified as that of the right index finger of Bruno Austin. An additional latent impression on photograph 7B, taken at the same address, has been determined to be that of the right thumb of Austin. No other identifications with latent fingerprints developed in this case could be effected.

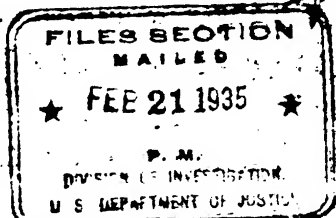
A transcript of the criminal record of Bruno Austin, our file #783178, is being transmitted herewith to your office and to the St. Paul office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - St. Paul



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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of February 18, 1935, transmitting the fingerprints of Matthew Gleason in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. 1216, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

The latent fingerprints previously developed in connection with this case have been compared with the finger impressions of Matthew Gleason, but in no instance has an identification been effected. The main fingerprint files of the Identification Unit reveal the following criminal record for Gleason:

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Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - Bureau
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E. J. Connelley

February 23, 1935.

47078

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box #4907,
Jacksonville, Fla.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases, I.O. 1237;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
HARRY SAWYER, with aliases, I.O. 1240;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. D. Cunningham, Buffalo, New York, dated 1/23/35, in the above entitled matter.

On February 23, 1935, Mr. J. L. Brady, Superintendent of the Commercial Department of the Western Union Company, Buffalo, New York, advised this office that the following telegram was received for Mrs. J. F. Morrison, 77 Traymore Avenue, Buffalo, New York:

"STOPPING HOTEL FRANKLIN MIAMI BEACH SEND NIGHT LETTER
HOW YOU BOTH ARE

/s/ DADDY"

Upon receipt of this information, the writer called at 1442-444 Main Street, Buffalo, New York (business address of Mr. Joseph Morrison) and was advised by one Mr. Cohen that Mr. Morrison was in Florida and would be there for approximately two months. In view of the fact that a Buick Sedan, bearing 1935 Florida license plates D5306 had been registered by one Leroy Morrison, this information is being furnished your office for whatever investigative action is deemed desirable.

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Very truly yours,

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J. F. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE IDENTIFICATION UNIT

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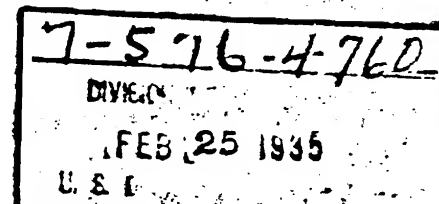
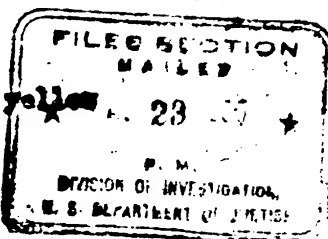
Transmitted herewith is a Fugitive Index Card,
No. 5974, on MYRTLE KATON with aliases, Bureau File 7-576.

This fugitive card is to be substituted for the
Bureau wanted notice bearing the same number which now
appears in your files.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Incl. #639845



DJP:SJ

February 21, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

47681

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases et al;
Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases
I. O. 1232; Edward George Bremer -
Victim - Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Laboratory Report of
February 5, 1935, in connection with the restoration of
the serial number on a .38 Calibre Browning Automatic
Rifle, recovered in Miami, Florida.

This gun is being returned to your office under
separate cover.

There are being transmitted herewith photographs
of the same plate on this gun, taken before and after
treatment for restoration of the serial number.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Mr. J. Connelley RECORDED
Chicago.
cc - St. Paul.
Enclosure #311820

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota

St. Louis FILE NO. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT: St. Louis, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 2-23-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2-18 to 21-35	REPORT MADE BY: R. L. SHIVERS RLS:F
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases I.O. #1237, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: No information relating to the whereabouts of Clyde Nimerick available. Frances Heiser his paramour, left her home in Linneus, Mo. in August 1934 and her family disclaims knowledge of present address. Information received that Volney Davis may contact the Brown brothers at Havana, Ill. who operate a restaurant there; arrangements being made for proper investigation and surveillance there. To date he has not appeared in Havana so far as can be ascertained. Dr. Joseph P. Moran has not registered an automobile in the state of Illinois during 1934 and 1935. May Green who lived with Willie Harrison at Calumet City, Ill. in 1933 now located in St. Louis. She disclaims knowledge of his present whereabouts and states that she knows of no way in which she could locate him.			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R. L. Shivers, St. Louis, Missouri dated 2-2-35.			
DETAILS: In an effort to locate Frances Heiser and through her determine the present whereabouts of Clyde Nimerick, alias C. D. Harris, the writer interviewed Postmaster Byron Birch at Linneus, Missouri who stated that Frances Heiser left Linneus in August or September, 1934 and that her present whereabouts are unknown. It will be recalled that Frances Heiser is the daughter of Ace Louthan a retired mail carrier at Linneus. Postmaster Birch stated that since the time that Frances Heiser was last seen at Linneus, he has not heard from her.			
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interviewed by Special Agent J. E. Dillay of the St. Louis Office in August 1934, he has carefully watched the mail received by the Louthan family in Linneus and has not observed any mail which indicated that it had been sent by Frances Heiser. He further stated that he will continue to cover the mail of the Louthan family and will furnish the St. Louis Office with tracings of any letters which give any indication of having been mailed by this woman.

In an interview with Ace Louthan and his wife they stated that their daughter Frances Heiser has left Linneus in the latter part of August 1934 and advised that since that time they have not heard from her. They stated that they do not know where she is at this time. It was stated by Mr. Louthan that several of his children were at home during the Christmas holidays and that none of them knew where Frances Heiser was at that time and he claimed that the family did not hear from her during Christmas and, as stated, at no time since she left home in August 1934. The photograph of Clyde Nimerick was exhibited to the Louthan family and also to Postmaster Byron Birch. They were unable to identify it as any person known to them and stated that they had never seen Frances Heiser in his company.

Herman D. Louthan a brother of Frances Heiser who has just recently been released from the Kansas State Prison, was interviewed and he stated that he did not know Clyde Nimerick and was unable to identify his photograph. He advised that he has heard since his release from prison that his sister is associated with this man and that he would be glad to see him apprehended in order to break off their relationship. It was ascertained at the Post Office in Linneus that two letters had been mailed there on the date of this interview by Herman D. Louthan to Mrs. Anne Larson; one of the letters was addressed to her at 193 Machubin, St. Paul, Minnesota and the other one was addressed to her at 96 Orlin Ave. S. E., Minneapolis, Minnesota c/o McClintock. The attention of the St. Paul Office is called to these addresses so that investigation may be conducted to determine if Anne Larson is identical with Frances Heiser.

Frances Heiser has a sister Mabel Dillman who is residing at 1335 1/2 Touhy St. Chicago, Illinois. Frances Heiser has been especially intimate with this sister and resided with her for a considerable portion of time in Chicago. She has another sister Mrs. E. C. Lambeth who lives at 1368 LaSalle Ave. St. Paul, Minnesota. Mrs. Lambeth according to Mr. Ace Louthan is temporarily living at 4067a Fairview St. St. Louis, Missouri. In this connection it is stated that Mrs. Lambeth was subsequently contacted at St. Louis, Missouri and she disclaimed any knowledge of her sister's whereabouts. She stated that she last saw her in Linneus, Missouri during the summer of 1934 and at that time, she spoke of going to California. She was unable to furnish any address in California where she might be located. This woman also has another sister Mrs. F. M. Oster-Sacken who resides at 230 Second St. Gerard, Ohio.

Frank Diaz who operates the Bungalow Tavern at Springfield, Illinois and who was formerly a close friend of Byron Bolton and Fred Goetz was re-contacted. He stated that he has learned from newspaper reports that Bolton has been indicted in connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota. He further stated that at no time before Fred Goetz died, did he ever indicate to him that he was engaged in such a racket and that no mention of the Bremer kidnaping was made at the time Goetz and his paramour, Irene Dorsey, visited him in Springfield, Illinois during the time Mr. Bremer was held captive. He again stated that he was not acquainted with any members of the Karpis-Barker mob and was unable to identify any of their photographs. He again repeated that he had not seen Byron Bolton and has not been in communication with him since Bolton left Springfield, Illinois sometime in 1927 or 1928. He claimed that he was unable to furnish any information that would in any way aid the Bureau in locating the subjects of this case who are still at large.

Efforts were made at St. Louis, Missouri and East St. Louis, Illinois to locate May Green alias May Schulman who is reported to have lived with William J. Harrison at 310 W. Mason St. Calumet City, Illinois from around April until September, 1933. It is observed that she is a waitress by occupation. She is not known to the Waitresses Union in either city or to Police or Postal officials.

Clarence Coff who, as stated in previous reports, is a good friend of Willie Harrison and who has been interviewed by the writer, was re-contacted and he stated that he knew May Green and that she was living with Willie Harrison in Calumet City, Illinois in 1933 during the period he was there with Harrison, which it will be observed was from around January to September, 1933. Coff stated that May Green is at the present time in St. Louis, Missouri and that he believes she is working as a waitress at the Claridge Hotel. He stated that he saw her on the streets of St. Louis about two months ago and that she asked him if he knew where Willie Harrison is or how she could get in touch with him and he claimed that he informed her that he was unable to put her in touch with him. Coff stated that he doubted seriously if this girl would be in communication with Harrison as she had left him in Calumet City because he had treated her so badly; that he beat her up on several occasions and that she left him two or three times during the period of their association and that so far as he knows she left him for good around September, 1933.

Special Agent D. S. Hostetter located May Green through inquiring at the Claridge Hotel as being employed at the Jefferson Hotel Coffee Shop in St. Louis at the present time as a waitress. In view of the information furnished concerning this girl by Clarence Coff it was believed that an open interview would be more desirable than an undercover effort to obtain information from her concerning this particular fugitive.

May Green came to the St. Louis Bureau Office at the request of Special Agent Hostetter and was interviewed by him and the writer. She submitted the following signed statement to Special Agent Hostetter, which is being retained in the St. Louis file:

St. Louis, Missouri
February 20, 1935.

I, Miss May Green, make the following voluntary signed statement to D. S. Hostetter, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice, St. Louis, Mo. without being threatened in any manner.

I am 25 years of age and live with my sister at 3815 Westminster Place in St. Louis, Mo. My maiden name was May Southword and I married Ray Green of Hattisburg, Miss. during 1928.

My husband and myself separated and during the first part of 1932 I began living in Chicago, Ill., Drexel Blvd., 4900 block, and worked in Pure Oil Bldg. Coffee Shop.

Just prior to Christmas of 1932 I left Chicago, Ill. for St. Louis, Mo. by train and met a stranger, unaccompanied, who gave his name as Willie Harrison and told me his mother and father lived at 3954 Gibson St., St. Louis, Mo. and that he lived at the Savoy Hotel in Chicago, Ill. I gave him my address in Chicago, Ill. and on 1-1-33 he called on me and I had dinner with him in Chicago, Ill. Our association continued and during March of 1933 I began living with him as his wife, we were then both married but separated. Willie Harrison at this time was operating a saloon on State St., Calumet City, Ill. and we lived at 350 Mason St.

A young man whose first name was Charles and whose home was in St. Louis, Mo. lived with us for a short time at the above address. He was a friend of the Harrison family. I saw Charles here in St. Louis during the summer of 1934 and he told me he was then working for a liquor wholesale company in St. Louis, Mo. Charles is acquainted with the Harrison family far better than with Willie.

I met a man whose first name was "Bobbs" and besides these two I was never introduced to friends of Willie Harrison. I am not further acquainted with Willie's friends. I am acquainted with his mother and father and brothers in St. Louis, Mo. and consider them refined people.

I lived with Willie Harrison until Sept. 1, 1933 and left him because of his disposition.

I then went to Washington, D. C. and worked at Coffee Shop, Harrington Hotel; I left in May or June of 1934 and went to Hattisburg,

Miss. and visited my mother-in-law, then coming to St. Louis, Mo. and lived at Lindell Plaza Hotel here in St. Louis, Mo. I then moved to my present address and during latter part of July I called Mrs. Harrison and told her that in case Willie came to St. Louis to have him call me. A few days later he called and I went to the Harrison house and there met Willie who was accompanied by a woman who might be identical with a photograph of Paula Horman exhibited to me, at least she then had a long scar on her nose and appeared very hard. This woman was dressed only fair, very cheap clothes, but did have more jewelry than most women. Willie said she was the wife of a friend.

At this time Willie got a new 1934, black Ford V-8 coupe and we rode around and visited a bookie joint located in Auditorium Hotel, St. Louis, Mo. I understood that Willie had been on a party here in St. Louis the previous night.

The reason I called Willie was to find out what happened to our furniture and some articles of mine. These were purchased on credit from, I think, Wiseman Furniture Co., Calumet City, Ill. and Willie stored them somewhere in Calumet City, Ill. and said he had given my articles to this woman with him.

I also called Mrs. Harrison since that date and his mother said he was here during last of October, 1934, but has not been home since, I know he was not here Christmas.

Willie has no education. He plays golf well and likes to drink. He goes for night club girls. He never says much and didn't tell me any of his business.

(signed) May Green

Witness:

D. S. Hostetter, Sp. Agt. Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 801 Title Guaranty Bldg., St. Louis, Missouri.

Photographs of various members of the Barker-Karpis crowd were exhibited to May Green and she was unable to identify them. She did state however, that while she and Willie Harrison were living together in Calumet City, Illinois a man who answers the description of Charles J. Fitzgerald and who was referred to as Fitz or Fritz by Willie, visited them several times. She also stated that on one occasion two men about five feet in height who were brothers, came to the house and had breakfast there and that if she recalled correctly one of them was referred to as "Doc".

These two men are undoubtedly Arthur and Fred Barker. While the information furnished in the above statement is very meagre and indefinite, it is believed that with further contacts with this woman, she will divulge considerable information or all of the information in her possession relating to Willie Harrison and such associates of his as she may know. She stated that he has been married twice and that she knows both of his wives.

Special Agent D. S. Hostetter again contacted May Green on the night of February 20, 1935 and she informed him at that time that while she associated with Willie Harrison she met Gus Winkler and learned that he and Willie were very close friends and that Willie was also a very close friend and associate of Mrs. Gus Winkler and that Mrs. Winkler may have information as to his whereabouts at this time or be in a position to furnish leads which would lead to his location if she were inclined to divulge them. She agreed to notify the St. Louis Office immediately if Willie Harrison should communicate with her in any fashion. As stated she claimed to be very friendly with Mrs. Harrison, the mother of this fugitive and she felt that his mother would be inclined to confide in her. She has agreed to contact Mrs. Harrison by telephone within the next few days at the presence of an agent and try to learn from her if she knows where Willie is or has heard from him since Christmas.

A very strenuous effort has been made to win the confidence of this woman as it is believed that Willie Harrison will sooner or later communicate with her and she likewise feels that he will. Within the next few days Special Agent D. S. Hostetter will again interview Mrs. Green and at that time obtain a complete detailed statement from her. It is believed that she would also be willing to accompany an agent of the St. Louis Office to Calumet City, Illinois and make such inquiries as are possible there in an effort to locate Harrison. Further consideration will be given to this proposal after a complete statement has been obtained from her. In this connection it is stated that Clarence Coff informed the writer that while he would do so reluctantly, he would if necessary accompany agent to Chicago and Calumet City, Illinois and Hammond, Indiana for the purpose of trying to locate Willie Harrison. Further consideration will soon be given to the advisability of taking that action.

A report will be submitted within the next few days which will contain full information relating to the contact with and information received from May Green.

With reference to a letter from Special Agent in Charge Connelley to the St. Paul Office December 26, 1934 in which it was stated that Dr. Joseph P. Moran is the owner of a 1933 model Pontiac Coach bearing motor #935155 serial #815237. Inquiry through the Automobile Division of the Secretary of State's Office Springfield, Illinois revealed that Dr. Joseph P. Moran has not registered an automobile in the State of Illinois during 1934 or 1935. It was found that there is no record

A telegram from the Chicago Office February 12, 1935 stated that an informant had identified Dr. Joseph P. Moran at Peru, Illinois the previous day driving a tan car bearing 1935 Illinois license 18888 which had been issued to Duffee Clark and Nicholson, Decatur, Illinois.

On February 13, 1935 Special Agent T. G. Murphy at Chicago, Illinois telephonically advised Special Agent in Charge R. E. Vetterli that Alice Conrad, a contact of Harry Sawyer, was residing at General Electric Co., 1110 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois. It had been sent to her by the Chicago office of South Ave. South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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On February 8, 1935 Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley telephoned to Special Agent in Charge R. E. Vetterli that Volney Davis had escaped from two bureau agents at Yorktown, Illinois and that the man who had harbored him in the night of February 7, 1935 had been taken into custody and stated that he is convinced Davis would go to one of three places; either Go-About Wiley's Place, Doc Eaton's Place or to an individual by the name of Brown who operates a restaurant in Havana, Illinois and can be identified through the fact that his father has a string of race horses. It was requested that Brown be located at his place of business and residence be kept under surveillance for the purpose of apprehending Davis if he appeared there; in this connection Special Agent R. E. Simons and D. S. Hostetter of the St. Louis office conducted investigation at Havana, Illinois and the following memoranda submitted by them:

The following information concerning the above entitled case was obtained at Havana, Illinois.

R. E. Townsend, State's Attorney Mason County, Illinois advised that he was acquainted with Gerald Brown; that he realizes that Brown was an expert, professional gambler, specializing in dice; that he had also been advised that Brown was a contact man for wanted criminals. Townsend explained that Havana, Illinois was visited, but not molested, by these individuals, and while in his opinion, Brown was strictly a gambler, at the same time, he Brown had little regard for law-enforcement and would assist any criminal without compensation. Townsend further advised that his office received little cooperation from the local Sheriffs or police officers and that he depended upon Harold Brown, a County Constable and cousin of Gerald Brown, for any assistance which he might desire.

Townsend further related that Harold Brown was a former bootlegger, but had heretofore proved reliable; that he was conscientious and could be depended upon, even though his cousin, Gerald Brown, was implicated; that in the event the inquiries were directed chiefly toward criminals, who contacted Gerald Brown, then Harold Brown would in his opinion, make an excellent informant.

Townsend further stated that he had only resided in Mason County for three years and was, therefore, unable to furnish additional information concerning Gerald Brown.

Harold Brown, after a discussion directed chiefly toward the apprehension of a well known fugitive and only implicating Gerald Brown, advised that he was a County Constable and a cousin of William Brown and his two sons, Gerald and Don.

As to William Brown, he formerly owned and operated a saloon and gambling hall in Havana, Illinois but was not now connected with either, being chiefly interested in five race horses, which he owned and was presently wintering in Havana, Illinois.

As to Don Brown, he has lived continuously in Havana and is considered unreliable, even by his friends. He drinks continuously and when partially sober, is employed by his brother, Gerald Brown as a "house man" for gambling games.

Harold Brown further stated that Gerald Brown was born and raised in Havana, Illinois; that when 16 years of age, he joined the United States Navy and served eight years; that he then returned to Havana, Illinois as an expert professional gambler, specializing in dice and shortly thereafter, he began operating a saloon and gambling hall; that he then married Marie Greemor, a local girl, and now lives on North Pearl Street; that he has lived continuously in Havana, Ill.; that he no longer gambles in Havana, but makes a number of the big games in the larger cities, principally Chicago, Ill. and in that manner became acquainted with racketeers of all descriptions.

Harold Brown further stated that Gerald Brown considered all Offices as enemies and while not directly connected with criminals, would without compensation assist them on any occasion.

Harold Brown further advised that Havana, Illinois was noted for fishing, hunting, river beaches and its lack of law enforcement, and consequently, was frequently visited by Chicago criminals, who usually contacted Gerald Brown, because of his above reputation. Harold Brown then advised that Gerald Brown had a reputation for not talking; that he was not the type who became alarmed; that he could not be bluffed; that he would notify the criminal who might have been inquired about; and would, in all probability, if contacted refused to enter into a conversation. Harold Brown furnished the following information concerning local places where criminals who were acquainted with Gerald Brown would stay while in Havana, Illinois explaining at the same time that the Browns did not own a cottage themselves:

1. Minnie Lightle, Matanza Beach, located 5 miles south of Havana, Illinois.
2. Quiver Beach, located 3 miles north of Havana, Illinois. According to Harold Brown, it was unlikely that this beach would be occupied by criminals, inasmuch as the cottages were owned by supposedly respectable citizens of Havana, Illinois.

3. Lybarger Lake, located 8 miles north of Havana, Illinois a reported hiding place for criminals. According to Harold Brown Capone and Touhy gang at one time owned cottages at this lake.
4. Windsor Hotel, Havana, Illinois owned and operated by Mrs. Young age 60 and her daughter, Mrs. Fox age 38 two individuals who ask no questions and never report suspicious guests.
5. James Meyers' Tavern, owner St. David, Illinois and personal friend of Gerald Brown.

A photograph of Volney Davis was exhibited to Harold Brown and he was of the opinion that he had never seen Davis in Havana, Illinois. He advised, however, that he would make inquiries concerning cottages and possible past or present occupants in an attempt to obtain information concerning Volney Davis. A photograph of Corey Bales was not available during the present conversation, but Harold Brown advised that he had been introduced by Gerald Brown to a well dressed man, named Olsen, during the Summer of 1934; that Gerald advised him that Olsen would take the bets in gambling, but was not a criminal. Harold Brown further advised that he had a conversation with Olsen, who represented himself as a mine owner out West; that Olsen, from observation, was a vegetarian, and Brown is of the opinion that this Olsen fits the description of Corey Bales. Harold Brown is being furnished a photograph of Volney Davis, by letter, and it is suggested that Gerald Brown be not contacted at this time in order that it may be ascertained to some extent whether Harold Brown can be relied upon as an informant.

The records of the Canton, Illinois Police Department plus the information supplied by Officer Don Cook, reflect that 1934 Ford V-8 Two door automobile, was wrecked on 9-20-34 near Canton, Illinois; that the two men then reported in the car disappeared; that a check of the license number, not now recalled, revealed that the same had been issued to Sam Johnson, Aurora, Illinois. The Aurora, Illinois Police Department at that time advised that Canton, Illinois Police Dept. that they had a warrant for Sam Johnson for contributing to the delinquency of Evelyn Westphal, Aurora, Illinois and desired his arrest. On 9-21-34, Gerald Brown of Havana, Illinois called for the above mentioned car and exhibited some sort of receipt, but his request was refused and on 9-22-34, Sam Johnson and Evelyn Westphal were arrested when they came for the car, which was then stored in Miller's Garage at Canton, Illinois.

Sam Johnson who was subsequently returned to Aurora, Illinois admitted that Jack Summers, Cuba, Illinois was his companion on the night of the arrest.

Don Cook examined a photograph of Volney Davis and was positive in his opinion that neither Johnson, nor Summers, resembled Davis.

Harold Brown during the above mentioned conversation, advised that he personally was acquainted with Sam Johnson and Jack Summers and that both of these individuals, occasionally visited in Havana, Illinois staying at the Windsor Hotel and were friends of Gerald Brown. Harold Brown further advised that he understood that Sam Johnson usually considered Detroit, Michigan as headquarters.

This information is included in instant memorandum inasmuch as Volney Davis and at least two of his associates, namely Edna Murray and Corey Bales are apparently acquainted in Aurora, Illinois.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

ST. LOUIS OFFICE, will continue the investigation in this district with particular attention being paid to the location of Volney Davis through the Brown brothers at Havana, Illinois.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:TAM

Federal Bureau of Investigation

1:45 P.M.

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Backus
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Smith
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Mr. Kingman of the Jacksonville Office called and stated Agent Fitzsimons had just telephoned from Miami, stating that Mr. Butler, Chief of Police at Clewiston, Florida had telephoned him to the effect that he had received information from a woman informant, whose name he did not desire to disclose over the telephone, that Karpis and Campbell are supposed to be staying at Woodyard Hammock on Lake Okeechobee, about 15 miles from Clewiston. The woman stated she had received this information through her brother, who lives in Miami. There are only three or four houses at Woodyard Hammock, according to Mr. Kingman, and the fugitives are alleged to be living in one of them. The Sheriff informs he has not seen these men - they are supposed to have been there for four or five days or possibly a week. The Sheriff knows nothing about their automobile, and did not try to conduct any investigation, as he did not want to be the cause of their escaping. I instructed that Fitzsimons contact the Sheriff and through him to contact the informant to ascertain what information she has and the identity of her brother in Miami, and if possible, to contact the brother. I advised the Agents should proceed immediately, but very cautiously, and that if it is found that there is any basis in fact for the woman's supposition, men will be sent there immediately. Clewiston is approximately 65 or 75 miles from Miami.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 18, 1935

Time-- 3:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
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Agent Madala telephoned from the Kansas City Office with reference to his questioning of Jess Doyle and Edna Murray, and with particular reference to the travellers' checks which were found in the apartment of Jess Doyle. Mr. Madala stated that he questioned Doyle about these checks, and Doyle stated that he got them from Volney Davis about three weeks ago, and he believes Davis got them from a man named Leo, last name unknown. Doyle stated that this Leo lives at 4915 Troost (?) Avenue in Kansas City. Mr. Madala stated that they have been keeping this place under surveillance for some time, and he now believes that the occupants at this address have recognized the Agents, and there is a strong possibility that they might move. Jess Doyle seems to think that Leo and his gang robbed the Okemah National Bank at Okemah, Oklahoma on December 22, 1934, at which time the travellers' checks in question were taken. Mr. Madala stated that while there is no indication that Volney Davis is there, there is a good indication that Leo and his gang robbed the above mentioned bank. He stated, however, that he has only Jess Doyle's word in this latter regard.

He stated that they had talked to the manager of the place at the above address, and he says that the people in question are very suspicious; that while they never appear to work, they always have plenty of money. Mr. Madala stated that they have been unable to ascertain any definite information about Leo, but last Saturday night a man came out of the apartment who somewhat answered the description of Leo as given by Jess Doyle, and went to the White Front Cafe. He stated that he had questioned Edna Murray about this cafe, and she advised that it is run by one Johnny Miller, formerly a guard at the Missouri State Penitentiary; that some of the persons working there are very friendly toward both Edna Murray and Volney Davis.

Mr. Madala stated that in view of these facts, it would appear desirable to go into the place before the people in there get out. I told him that extreme care should be exercised in conducting any searches and raids without the proper warrants; that while these people may be involved in the Okemah National Bank robbery, if we go in, we will go in on the theory that Volney Davis may be there.

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Mr. Madala suggested that they might continue to keep the place under surveillance, and if the people start to move out, they could then be taken into custody. In this regard, I stated that if they start to move, and come out one by one, they should in this manner be picked up on the street and the place not raided. He stated that if the place is raided, we might be able to find something of evidentiary value. I told him that we have no legal right to do this for the reason that we do not have the proper warrants.

Mr. Madala stated that it appears that there are about three men actually occupying the apartment, but they receive numerous men visitors.

I requested him to keep the Bureau advised of any developments which might take place in this matter.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

REN:CJ

Time - 4:35 P. M.

Washington, D. C.

February 21, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I. O. #1218 -
FUGITIVE; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I. O. #1236; VOLNEY
DAVIS with aliases I. O. #1237, et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping

Special Agent D. E. Hall telephoned from Cleveland to advise that he was holding C. W. Woods alias Al Yonkers and Alleyne Hoyt, his paramour, at Cleveland, where they have been under questioning yesterday and today. Hall stated that he had not succeeded in getting much information of value from them, except that Charles J. Fitzgerald and his alleged wife, Belle, had been staying with them and departed from Toledo, Ohio on January 16, 1935, intending to go to Florida or California; that Fitzgerald has a Buick Coupe which is driven by his paramour, Belle.

Mr. Hall inquired as to whether the two individuals should be released; that he had developed no information on which they could base a complaint to hold them. I instructed Mr. Hall to first impress upon Woods the fact that the Bureau would take positive action against him should he endeavor to tip off members of the Barker-Karpis gang relative to the Bureau's activities. Mr. Hall stated that Woods is "scared to death" and under these circumstances I instructed him to release both of these individuals, to return to Toledo and make every effort to ascertain the numbers appearing on the license plates now on the Buick of Fitzgerald. Mr. Hall stated that with the added information obtained from Woods he feels sure these license plate numbers can now be located.

I also instructed Mr. Hall to immediately get out a report setting out minute and detailed descriptions of both Fitzgerald and his woman companion, furnishing a copy to each field office, with the instructions that should Fitzgerald be located, he should be placed under surveillance and Mr. Connelley at the Chicago office and the Bureau be immediately advised.

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Washington Field Office, Room 5745,
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February 23, 1935.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, w. a., I.O. 1215,
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w. a., I. O. 1232,
HARRY CAMPBELL, w. a., I. O. 1236,
VOLNEY DAVIS, w. a., I. O. 1237, ET AL,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM;
KIDNAPING.

Solicitor,
Veterans' Administration,
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. J. W. Barnes.

Dear Sir:

Under date of October 15, 1934, Special Agent F. M. Hickey of this Office examined your file No. A-302835, pertaining to the veteran named Byron Bolton. After the examination was made, Agent Hickey requested that a "Flash" be recorded in the file to notify this Office in the event the veteran or his wife subsequently communicated with the Veterans' Administration.

You are advised that recent developments make it unnecessary for you to continue this "Flash" notice in the file above referred to.

Please accept my thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC- Bureau
CC- St. Paul
CC- Chicago
CC- Mr. E. J. Connelley,
P. O. Box # 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 19, 1935

Time - 3:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case;
Matthew Gleason.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Backus
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
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Mr. Zimmer telephoned from the Chicago Office with further reference to his previous conversation with me concerning the photograph of the above named person, and stated that Gleason did not make his appearance at the office this morning. However, Gleason's attorney telephoned and requested to talk with Mr. McIntyre, explaining that he had received a telephone call last evening from Gleason, as a result of which Gleason decided that he would be quite willing to have a recent photograph taken in the Chicago Office. He stated that Gleason is still in Aurora, Illinois. He desired instructions as to what steps should now be taken in this regard.

I mentioned the fact that Gleason will be in Chicago for arraignment on Thursday, and instructed Mr. Zimmer to make a request through his attorney for him to make his appearance at the Chicago Office on that date for the purpose of making a photograph. In view of this fact, I instructed that nothing further should be done about it until the arraignment of Gleason on Thursday.

Mr. Zimmer stated that he is informed by Mr. McIntyre that the attorney of Gleason desires to have this matter continued for at least two weeks; that this arrangement seems to be agreeable with the United States Attorney. He stated, however, that it appears that Gleason will have to come to Chicago on the date in question in any event.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

4:07 P.M.

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Washington, D. C.

February 18, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Re: Bremer Case - Matthew Gleason

Mr. Zimmer called from Chicago and stated that inquiry has developed that apparently no photographs were taken of Gleason while he was in custody at Chicago. He stated that fingerprints were taken, which were transmitted to the Bureau by letter on February 13th. I advised that arrangements should be made with the Marshal's office and that photographs should be taken immediately, forwarding them to the Bureau, by air mail, special delivery.

Mr. Zimmer stated that the father of Alvin Karpis had come to the office and talked with Agent McIntire; that the father had asked that a certain amount of publicity be given to the fact that he had possession of the son of Alvin Karpis, believing that Karpis would contact the father. The father would not, however, agree to give the Bureau information, in the event Karpis does contact him, but believes that he can convince Karpis that he should turn himself over to us. He (the father) also said that he will notify the Bureau's Chicago Office, after Karpis contacts him, in the event he does. McIntire seems to think the old man is sincere. I advised the matter would be put up to the Director, and that I would advise Zimmer of your wishes at a later time.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

No. The father can
get his own publicity.
J. E. A.

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EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 19, 1935

Time - 4:16 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Miller telephoned from the Kansas City Office with reference to the previous conversation of Agent Madala with me in regard to the identity of one Leo of Kansas City who might be involved in the above matter. He stated that the surveillance of the apartment at the address supposedly occupied by Leo was maintained during last evening, but no one made his appearance there. The parties there apparently left some time in the afternoon and have not returned. No one saw them take anything out of the apartment, and it is thought that they fled without attempting to remove anything from the apartment. He wanted the reaction of the Bureau to these developments.

I instructed Mr. Miller to get assigned consent from the owner of the apartment house for the Bureau Agents to enter this apartment, and upon their entering the same, extreme care should be exercised to prevent anyone getting hurt; that since we have reason to believe that possibly Davis is in there, or at least that these persons have been harboring Davis in the past, it is believed that no difficulties will arise therefrom, legally. I told him that while there should be a thorough search to see if there is anything which would be evidence of a commission of a crime, we should be very careful to disturb nothing of a personal nature, and under no circumstances should we take any property of any kind into our possession. I further instructed Mr. Miller to make a very judicious search of the apartment so that our presence there could not be discovered after our departure.

With reference to the apartment occupied by Davis at the time of his arrest, Mr. Miller wanted to know if a continual watch should still be maintained there. I told him that I could see no reason for this; that the watch could be discontinued. I instructed him to turn the property in this apartment over to the owner of the apartment and take no part of it into our possession. I further instructed him to be sure and get the cooperation of the owner of the apartment so that he will notify us in case Davis returns.

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Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. 37

REPORT MADE AT: Kansas City, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 2-21-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2-2 to 15-35	REPORT MADE BY: R. P. SEANAHAN OS
TITLE: CHANGED: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases: A. Carter, Raymond Handley, George Haller, Alvin Karpis, Earl Peel, Alvin Karpis, George Dunn, R. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, Earl Lyman Burns, R. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, William B. Lohman, Alvin Karpavicz (T.N.), R. E. Nelson, Merion Bradford, H. J. Milgreth, H. G. Milgreth, Howard Milgreth, E. L. Burnes, Ray Hall, Dan Murphy, "Chi" Karpis, Raymond Hadley, Albin Karpis, Charles M. Bronson - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases: Doc Barker, Claude Dale, Bob Barker, E. L. Murray, J. H. Harvey, A. S. Hunter, Dock Barker, Claude Barker, F. E. Gordon, H. J. Harvey, Ray Gordon, "James", "Joe", "Shorty" - I.O. #1219; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases: Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L. Martin, George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott, George Winfield, George Swanson, "Dave" - I.O. #1236; VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases: "Curly", "Cotton", E. V. Davis, J. H. Lockwood, S. E. Lockwood, C. E. Moore, "Jimmie", "Curly" Moore, Roy Green, Everett Davis, "Curly" Hansen, "Curly" Hansen, J. E. Hansen, G. R. Hansen, G. L. Harper, George L. Harper, George Lawrence Harper, B. B. Larsen, E. J. Snyder, - I.O. #1237; WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases: P. O'Donnell, Phoenix Donald, R. A. Nelson, T. J. Nelson, P. J. Nelson, Bill Scott, J. A. Orhood, Charles W. Lucas, Charles E. Bolling, Bill Weaver, Felix Donald, P. O. Donald, Phoenix O'Donald, W. G. Weaver, P. O. Scott, Bill Thornton, Buck Weaver, Claire Lucas, Felix Donal; HARRY SAWYER with aliases, Frank James, "Dutch" Sawyer, Harry Sandlovich, Harry J. Porche, Harry Sandevich, Harry Sandovich, "Sea Lion". BYRON BOLTON with aliases: William Bryan Bolton (T.N.), Bryon Bolton, Monty Carter, Owen D. Carter, Owen Bernard Carter; JAMES J. WILSON with aliases: Jimmie Wilson, James Jackson, James Ryan, "Dr. Jim" Wilson, E. J. Powell; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases: Joseph B. Moran, Joseph C. Moran, "Doc" Moran - I.O. #1232; WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases: Willie Harrison, J. B. Bolton, W. J. Ryan; OLIVER A. BERG with aliases: Ollie Berg, "Izzie", Mr. Jones, Oliver Bennet; WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER with alias: "Williams"; PHILIP J. DELANEY with aliases: Phillip Delaney, Phil Delaney, Philip Delaney; JOHN JOSEPH McLAUGHLIN, SR. with aliases: "Boss" McLaughlin, Mr. Smith; ELMER FATER; HAROLD ALDERTON with aliases: Harry Allerton, Harold Alderton; JESSE DOYLE with aliases: Jesse Doyle, E. A. Conely, E. A. Connley, E. A. Conley and J. C. Stacey; EDNA MURRAY with aliases: "Rabbit"; Grace R. Hansen, Mrs. G. L. Harper, Mrs. E. J. Snyder; MYRTLE EATON with aliases: Sue Bond, Alice Martin, Ruth Martin, "Mert", "Whitie"; JOHN DOE; RICHARD ROE. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
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SYNOPSIS:

1934 Pontiac Sedan belonging to Volney Davis and bearing 1935 Missouri registration 43-218, traced to United Motors Service, Kansas City, Missouri as result of observations at Noel V. Woods Motor Company, Kansas City, Mo., and at Belton and Raytown, Mo. Davis apprehended United Motors Service 2-6-35 at about 11:40 A.M. by Bureau Agents but subsequently effected his escape at Yorkville, Illinois following forced landing of plane in which he was being taken to Chicago. Attempts to apprehend Doyle, Kansas City, unsuccessful but taken into custody Girard, Kansas 2-7-35 after gun battle with Bureau Agents at Pittsburg, Kansas. Edna Murray and Harry C. Stanley and wife apprehended Pittsburg, Kansas, same day. 1933 Chevrolet Coupe bearing 1935 Kansas, same registration 193-380; numerous guns, clothing, etc., recovered from Doyle, including Travelers checks subsequently identified as part of loot taken robbery of First National Bank, Okemah, Oklahoma and Okemah National Bank, Okemah, Oklahoma on or about 12-22-34. Property recovered from Edna Murray also set out. Complaints filed Topeka, Kansas 2-9-35. Subjects Murray and Doyle removed Wyandotte County, Kansas City, Kansas jail 2-10-35 pending removal to St. Paul. Stanleys presently Bourbon County Jail, Fort Scott, Kansas on harboring charges. Preliminary hearing set for 12-25-35. Detailed signed statements admitting close association with members of Karpis-Barker gang, Vern Miller, Frank Nash and others obtained from Subjects Murray and Doyle. Latter admits such association since 6-17-32, the day he was released from Kansas State Penitentiary, until 1-16-34, the day before Bremer kidnaped, at which time Fred Barker told him to get out of St. Paul. Also admits participation in several bank robberies, details of which are herein set out. Investigation being conducted this district looking to possible contacts of Davis and former associates of Edna Murray and Jess Doyle. Apartment previously occupied by Davis and Edna Murray, Kansas City, under constant surveillance by Bureau Agents against possible return Subject Davis. Subjects Murray and Doyle to be removed by U.S. Marshal to St. Paul 2-16-35. Leads obtained from statements made by Subjects and from property recovered being strenuously followed out.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, Kansas City, dated 2-11-35; Report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, dated 2-4-35; Report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, dated 2-2-35.

DETAILS: The title of this report is being changed in order to show the additional aliases of Subjects Volney Davis, Edna Murray and Jess Doyle obtained as a result of investigation conducted in this district and statements made by Edna Murray and Jess Doyle.

This report will concern itself with a more detailed account of the circumstances surrounding the apprehension of Volney Davis at Kansas City, Missouri on February 6, 1935, the taking into custody of Jess Doyle at Girard, Kansas on February 7, 1935, and the apprehension of Edna Murray, Harry C. Stanley and his wife at Pittsburg, Kansas, on the same day. The report of Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, Kansas City, Missouri dated 2-11-35, has already set out the pertinent facts in this respect in order that all offices might be furnished with a summary of the recent activities of this case in the Kansas City district. In this report will be included the total memoranda covering the complete activities engaged in by the different Agents of this office in connection with the recent apprehension of the above named Subjects.

As a result of the continuous surveillance which has been conducted by this office, both at the Noel V. Woods Motor Company and at the Post Office and Office of the City Marshal in Belton, Missouri, looking to the possible appearance of 1934 Pontiac Sedan thought to be owned by Volney Davis, this office was informed by telephone on February 4, 1935 by Mr. Joseph Elliott, of the Noel V. Woods Motor Company, that the above car had been observed and recognized on the floor of the United Motors Service, 2501 McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

It will be noted from reference to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City 2-2-35, that previous investigation has shown that the above mentioned car was seen in the latter part of December at the residence of Harry C. Stanley at 206 East Adams Street, Pittsburg, Kansas, which is the residence of the brother of Edna Murray. The same report also reflects the investigation conducted subsequent thereto, both at Noel V. Woods Motor Company and at Belton, Missouri, where, from the Motor Vehicle Records at the office of the Secretary of State, Jefferson City, Missouri, it was learned that this car was purchased under the name of G. R. HANSEN with address given as Belton, Missouri. Agents were immediately dispatched to the Noel V. Woods Motor Company upon receipt of the above information, where it was ascertained that the car had not been brought into that Agency for repairs but that an employee of that company had observed and recognized the car on the floor of the United Motors Service, 2501 McGee Street, Kansas City. It was also learned at that time that instead of the 1934 Missouri tags,

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number 585-264, which had appeared on the car the last time it had been seen at the above agency, there now appeared 1935 Missouri tags number 43-218. In addition it also carried a Kansas City, Missouri city license.

Immediate inspection was made of this car by Agents of this office with the result that it was identified as the car that had previously carried the above indicated 1934 license plates. It had been left at the United Motors Service by a man who had been told that it would not be ready for delivery until the late evening of February 5, 1935, at the earliest. Arrangements were accordingly made whereby the Kansas City Office would be notified in the event the car would be ready for delivery prior to that time so that appropriate surveillance of the same might be conducted.

Immediate inquiries were made through the Motor Vehicle Department, both at Kansas City, Missouri and Jefferson City, Missouri, with the result that the car was found to be registered under the name of "G. L. HARPER, BOX 12, RAYTOWN, MISSOURI"; indicating further that a transfer of title had been made from the previous title holder, namely - Grace R. Hansen to G. L. Harper. Upon receipt of these facts an investigation was conducted on 2-4-35 by Special Agents W. F. Trainor, L. S. Vandover and the writer in Raytown, Missouri, where it was learned that Post Office Box Number 12 had been rented on 1-3-35 and the same paid for up to and including March 31, 1935. From the information available at the Post Office in Raytown, G. L. Harper, under which name the man had rented the Post Office Box, had only called for mail on two or three occasions and pictures of Volney Davis, together with other members of the Karpis-Barker gang could not be identified. However, the Agents were advised at that time that the person who had dealt with Harper at the time he first appeared in Raytown was one Colma Shrenkengaust, who, at the time, was acting as assistant to Mrs. Stanton, the Postmistress. On the above date contact with Miss Shrenkengaust could not be had due to her absence from Raytown, but the same was accomplished on the following day, 2-5-35, at which time she advised the writer that as well as she could remember a man roughly answering the description of Volney Davis had appeared and rented Post Office Box 12, and left immediately thereafter. She also advised that he had called for mail only on two or three occasions and each time was accompanied by no one. It likewise could not be determined at Raytown that Harper had been known to any persons interviewed. It was determined, however, on February 5, 1935, that one of the mechanics at the United Motors Service thought that the photograph of Volney Davis resembled to some extent the individual who had brought the car there for repairs.

As has been previously recorded in the report of Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri 2-11-35, a telephone call was received from the United Motors Service on the early afternoon of 2-5-35 to the effect that the owner of the car and another man had come in to look at it and had asked concerning what progress had been made on it. Imme-

diately upon receipt of this information Special Agents W. F. Trainor, H. A. Dietz, T. E. Staken and the writer were dispatched to that Agency, but found, upon arrival, that the parties had gone after only remaining a short time, it appearing that they were in somewhat of a hurry. It was learned at this time that they both had arrived at the office of the United Motors Service in a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe bearing 1935 Missouri registration 193-380. At the time they appeared they were told that the car would not be ready on February 5, 1935 but could be delivered by approximately 10 or 11 o'clock the following morning. However, to preclude any possibility of the appearance of either of these men later the same day at the United Motors Service a strict surveillance was maintained at the United Motors Service until the same was closed, at approximately 7:30 P.M.

Further inquiries were immediately made through the Motor Vehicle Department concerning the 1933 Chevrolet Coupe, mentioned above, with the result that it was found to be registered in the name of "J. C. STACEY, 23 WARNER PLAZA, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI". Subsequent inquiries made in response to these facts by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and Special Agents W. F. Trainor and V. I. Parry revealed that the car was at that time parked on Warner Plaza, indicating that the persons who had previously been seen driving the same were occupying their apartment, which was 23 Warner Plaza. Agents W. F. Trainor and V. I. Parry, who were the first to take up the surveillance at this point, the other Agents mentioned still keeping a watch against the possible reappearance of these two men at the United Motors Service, observed an individual in the car and endeavored to trail him when he came out of the apartment and drove away. However, he was lost in the traffic. It should be noted that this surveillance occurred after dark and it was quite impossible to obtain a clear view of the occupant of the car. Furthermore, in view of the arrangements which had been made in connection with the delivery of the Pontiac Sedan the following morning at United Motors Service, it was deemed by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan inadvisable to attempt any further surveillance of the parties residing at 23 Warner Plaza inasmuch as such inquiries might create suspicion, and it appeared that the possibility of identifying the owner of the Pontiac when he came for the car were at that time better than any other action that might be taken. Accordingly, the surveillance at 23 Warner Plaza was discontinued.

On the morning of February 6, 1935, Special Agents W. F. Trainor, H. A. Dietz, V. I. Parry, T. E. Staken and the writer appeared at the United Motors Service at 2501 McGee at approximately 7 A.M. in order to maintain a strict surveillance. In addition to the repairs ordered on the car the owner, at the time of his appearance on the previous evening, had requested that the car also be washed. Accordingly, it was arranged that Agent Parry should take the Pontiac Sedan from the United Motors Service to another automobile company at the time it was washed, and he was provided with appropriate clothing for this purpose. It should be recorded here that this precaution was deemed expedient due to the fact that the morning papers of February 6, 1935 carried the story of the shooting of a woman by the name of Mrs. Rush by another woman

whose name was recorded as Mrs. Vinita Stacey. At the time this news first appeared it was thought quite possible that there might be a connection between Mrs. Vinita Stacey and J. C. Stacey, who, as previously revealed by investigation at the Motor Vehicle Department, was the owner of the 1933 Chevrolet Coupe seen at the United Motors Service on the evening of 2-5-35. However, a short time before 12 o'clock, at approximately 11:40 A.M., an individual resembling Volney Davis was observed to walk by the show windows of the United Motors Service, and after looking around, entered the place and approached the spot where the Pontiac Sedan was then stationed. Special Agent Trainor had suitable opportunity to obtain a good look at this individual and upon recognizing him as being identical with Davis, he, with the assistance of the Agents mentioned above, immediately took him into custody. The man readily admitted his identity as Volney Davis and offered no resistance. Upon being searched it was found that he had in his possession a .32 caliber automatic pistol, which was removed from his person, and he was immediately brought to the Kansas City Office. The Bureau was immediately notified of his apprehension.

At the time of the apprehension of Volney Davis, besides admitting his true identity, Davis also advised that he had been residing at 3215 Broadway, but had left there several days before because Edna Murray had deserted him and had been living at the Warner Plaza address with Doyle. He also readily stated that the person who had accompanied him the day before to the United Motors Service was Jess Doyle and that he had been living at 23 Warner Plaza. His statement in regard to his desertion by Edna Murray a few days previously was subsequently found to be untrue. It was also known at this time that Jess Doyle had been living with Doris O'Connor at the 23 Warner Plaza address under the name of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stacey.

In an effort to locate Doyle, Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, accompanied by Agents Trainor, Deitz, Parry and this Agent, immediately proceeded to 23 Warner Plaza, where, after properly stationing Agents at all strategic points, it was ascertained that apparently no one was then in the apartment. Entry thereto was effected through the service door. The apartment gave the appearance of having been recently and hurriedly vacated by its occupants, although there were a few articles of women's clothing and toilet articles remaining in the apartment. Prior to forcing an entry through the service door, permission to do so was obtained from the manager of the apartment, Mrs. C. T. Miller, who resides at 15 Warner Plaza, telephone Valentine 0142. At this time Special Agents H. A. Dietz and V. I. Parry, together with the writer, were left in the apartment to guard against the possible return of Doyle, which surveillance was continued until the following day, when Doyle was found to be at Pittsburg, Kansas.

In the meantime, acting upon instructions received from Mr. Tamm, of the Bureau, arrangements were made to charter a plane in order to take Davis to Chicago. The latter had executed a waiver of removal to any

point for prosecution or questioning, which waiver is being transmitted to the Chicago Office. He was escorted by five Agents of the Kansas City Bureau Office to the airport and left Kansas City at 3:20 P.M. accompanied by Special Agents W. F. Trainor and T. E. Stakem. Prior to the arrival of the plane at Chicago a forced landing was necessitated due to the pilot losing his way, the landing taking place near Yorkville, Illinois. Davis was taken by the Agents into Yorkville, and, during a phone call being made by Special Agent Trainor to the Chicago Bureau Office to advise Mr. Connolly of the situation, Davis succeeded in making his escape, slugging Agent Stakem and diving through a closed window. He was fired upon twice by Agent Stakem but apparently neither shot took effect. Further details in this connection are being omitted here in view of the fact that the Bureau has been fully advised of the circumstances.

It should be noted here that prior to Davis' departure, upon being questioned as to the present whereabouts of Edna Murray, he had stated that the best place to find her, he thought, would be in or around McPherson, Kansas, where her son at that time was thought to be located, possibly in the company of Earl Stuchlick. The boy's name, as was subsequently ascertained, is Preston L. Paden, also known as Perce Paden. Acting upon this information, Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan withdrew the writer from the surveillance being conducted at the apartment at 23 Warner Plaza at about 6 P.M. and instructed him and Special Agent A. J. Norstrom to proceed to McPherson, Kansas, immediately, in the hope of obtaining information relative to the present whereabouts of Edna Murray. Before departing for McPherson, Kansas, however, it was learned, through inquiries made at 3215 Broadway, which address was the one given by Davis as the place where he and Edna Murray had been formerly residing, the address which he meant was the Zelda Apartments, 3211-13 Broadway, where the manager, whose name was not obtained, advised that a Hansen had lived there approximately two months with his wife, but had left several weeks prior to the Agent's visit stating he was going to St. Joseph, Missouri. The apartment was briefly examined and found to be entirely cleaned out.

It should also be noted at this time that a list of the property and other articles, such as remnants of food and toilet articles remaining in the apartment at 23 Warner Plaza, was made by the Agents conducting the surveillance there, but extreme caution was exercised to avoid the destruction of fingerprint evidence by carelessly handling any article. A thorough search was made of the apartment, with the exception of a minute inspection of food containers and packages. During the time it was occupied the Agents wore gloves in order not to obliterate any fingerprints, and at the same time caution was exercised against the possible return of Doyle to his apartment. These facts are set out at this point inasmuch as it was later determined that a \$1000.00 bond City of Peabody, Kansas, serial number 36, was found in this apartment, together with two \$10.00 Traveler's Checks of the Mellon National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, bearing the numbers C-336580 and C336597. According to informa-

tion furnished to the writer and from facts obtained from the janitor of the building, and his wife, by Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and D. A. Bryce, all of these articles were found in a partially filled can of Ovaltine which was in the apartment at the time it was deserted by Doyle and which was subsequently obtained by the janitor with permission of the apartment manager, Mrs. G. T. Miller. The janitor, a colored man, is Charles Bowman, who stated that his wife was preparing to use the Ovaltine when these articles were discovered. He then turned them over to the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department where they were subsequently minutely examined by the writer.

Subsequent to the withdrawal of the Agents from the above mentioned apartment news articles indicated that the Kansas City Police had located this address and had searched it. Accordingly, it appeared neither expedient nor desirable to return to the apartment for a search in view of the fact that this office was in receipt of information concerning the location of the apartment prior to its being obtained by the police. Moreover it was not thought wise to engage in joint investigative activities with them further for the reason that the police had not been advised of the connection of Volney Davis with Doyle and his associates. This information was communicated to the Bureau by letter from this office under date of February 14, 1935. Further investigation concerning this apartment and the Traveler's checks and bond found therein will be set out later in this report.

On 2-6-35 the writer, accompanied by Special Agent A. J. Norstrom proceeded to McPherson, Kansas, for the purpose of obtaining information relative to the present whereabouts of Edna Murray. It will be noted that during the short time Volney Davis was held in the Kansas City Bureau Office, prior to his removal to Chicago, he had pointed out that the most logical place to find Edna Murray would be in or around McPherson, Kansas, where her son, Preston, together with Earl Stuchlick, had been operating a beer tavern.

On 2-7-35 numerous inquiries were made at the Sheriff's Office, McPherson, Kansas, the Post Office and at the home of ex-Sheriff Nordling. From the latter it was learned that a beer tavern had been operated by two persons thought to be identical with Stuchlick and Preston Paden, Edna Murray's son, but that the same had ceased operations about a month before the Agent's visit. As far as Sheriff Nordling knew at that time there were no other places then in McPherson whose occupants or managers might be identical with those of the associates of Edna Murray. The Post Office records at McPherson, Kansas, were thoroughly examined and a search for the names of all close associates of this woman was made, including the many aliases under which they have lived in the past. However, no further information was forthcoming from this source and an immediate departure was made by Special Agent A. J. Norstrom and the writer shortly thereafter due to instructions received from Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan to the effect that Edna Murray had been taken into custody that same morning, namely - February 7, 1935, in Pittsburg, Kansas by Bureau

Agents. Further information was transmitted to Special Agent Norstrom and the writer that a gun battle had ensued in Pittsburg, Kansas between Bureau Agents and Jess Doyle, driving a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe, and that it was thought that Doyle had been injured as a result thereof. Agents arrived in Pittsburg, Kansas at about 6:30 P.M. and there contacted Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney, D. A. Bryce and V. R. Clary. It was learned, upon arrival, that Edna Murray, Harry C. Stanley and his wife were then being held in the Pittsburg, Kansas city jail and that Jess Doyle was incarcerated in the Crawford County Jail, in Girard, having surrendered to the Sheriff of that County earlier in the day. It will be noted here that Special Agents H. A. Dietz and V. I. Parry had proceeded to Girard, Kansas and complete memoranda submitted by these Agents will be contained hereinafter in this report setting out investigations conducted by them.

Acting upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, of the Oklahoma City Office, Special Agents Paul Hansen and Frank Whelan, of the Oklahoma City Bureau Office, were also present in Girard, Kansas.

Several interviews were had with Edna Murray in the Pittsburg, Kansas city jail, from February 7, 1935 to the morning of February 10, 1935, at which time she, together with Jess Doyle, was removed to Fort Scott, Kansas, where they waived preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner C.M. Armour, at Fort Scott, Kansas, and were then removed to the Wyandotte County Jail, Kansas City, Kansas. During these interviews Edna Murray was not at first prone to divulge much information concerning her past activities and associates. However, repeated attempts to elicit such information from her, both in Pittsburg, Kansas and later in the Wyandotte County Jail, in Kansas City, Kansas by Special Agent John A. Madala, of the Chicago Bureau Office, and the writer, resulted in her submitting a signed written statement on February 12, 1935, setting out full details of her activities with Volney Davis and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang up to the time of her arrest on February 7, 1935, at Pittsburg, Kansas. Copies of this statement were transmitted to the Division and the Chicago and St. Paul Bureau Offices by letter under date of February 12, 1935. At that time it was indicated that this statement would be included in a report to be submitted within a short time, and the same is being set out herein in full. It will also be noted that the original statement submitted by this woman will be forthwith transmitted to the St. Paul Division Office inasmuch as it has been learned that both Jess Doyle and Edna Murray have been removed from Kansas City, Kansas to St. Paul by the U. S. Marshal. The statement is quoted as follows:

Wyandotte County Jail
Kansas City, Kansas
February 12, 1935.

I, Edna Murray, age thirty-six (36) years, freely and voluntarily,
make this signed statement to John L. Madala and Richard P. Shanahan,

"Special Agents, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. I have been warned of my constitutional rights and know that what I say may be used against me at any time; moreover, no threats or promises have been made to me in order to obtain this statement.

My maiden name is Edna Stanley, and my place of birth is Marion, Kansas; the date being May 26, 1898.

I have known Volney Davis since I was twenty-three (23) years of age; having met him in Sapulpa, Oklahoma, where I was working at that time as a waitress and cashier at the Imperial Cafe. We became sweethearts and in February of 1923, he was sentenced to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, for life for the murder of a night watchman in Tulsa, Oklahoma. I believe that Arthur "Doc" Barker received a life sentence on the same charge.

Shortly before Volney was confined to the penitentiary, I proceeded to Kansas City, Missouri, where I became acquainted with one "Diamond Joe" Sullivan. I began living with him, and in 1924, he was electrocuted at Little Rock, Arkansas, for the murder of two police officers in that city. Emory Connell, who was my sister's first husband was likewise convicted on this charge. However, he subsequently escaped from the Arkansas State Penitentiary, where he was awaiting the death penalty. He was killed shortly thereafter by a posse.

After "Diamond Joe" Sullivan's death, I returned to Kansas City and met Jack Murray, whose correct name, I believe, is Ely. He had previously served time in Leavenworth penitentiary for violation of the Mann Act. I began living with him, and it was at this time that I assumed the name of "Edna Murray". During this period, my sister Doris was living with Earl Stuchlick, and the four of us, that is, Doris, Earl, Jack and I, were transporting liquor from New Orleans, Louisiana to Kansas City, Missouri.

On April 6, 1925, Jack Murray and I were arrested in Kansas City, Mo., for highway robbery, and on October 1st of that same year, both of us were sentenced to twenty-five (25) years imprisonment to be served in the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri. I made an escape from the above institution in May of 1927, but was later rearrested in Chicago during a raid in September of 1931. At this time, I was fingerprinted, and, as a consequence, was found to be an escape, and, shortly thereafter, was removed to Jefferson City.

I attempted to escape again a few months later, but was caught about one-half mile from the prison. However, in December of 1932, I was successful in escaping while in solitary confinement and have been

"at liberty ever since."

In November of 1932, Volney Davis was released from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary on a leave of absence, which was to be effective until July 1, 1933. I believe that "Doc" Barker was instrumental in procuring this leave for Volney.

Along about January of 1933, I received a letter from Volney Davis, through Doris, who at that time was living with Earl Stuchlick in Hill City, Kansas. This letter was delivered to me, and I subsequently managed to get a letter to Volney by giving it to Doc Barker in Kansas City. In the meantime, Doris had a "split-up" with Earl Stuchlick, and she moved then with me in Kansas City, Missouri. Doc Barker had learned through a man named "Dootch", last name unknown, where I was living, and I believe Dootch learned of my whereabouts through Doris, who at that time was very friendly with him. Sometime in March, 1933, I received another letter from Volney postmarked Chicago and shortly afterwards, Doc Barker, Jess Doyle and Volney visited Doris and me in Kansas City. Doris and Jess immediately fell in love with each other. On the next day, Volney instructed Doris and I to drive to Maywood, Ill., and stay at Jess' apartment, which was located on Fifth Avenue near Roosevelt Road in Maywood, until he and Jess arrived. At this time, I believe, the boys were contemplating on visiting Doc Barker's father at Neosho, Mo. A few days after our arrival in Maywood, Illinois, Volney and Jess arrived. The four of us lived here under the names of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Conley and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Davis, we assuming the latter name. About three weeks later, Volney and I moved to 609 East 2nd Street in Maywood, Illinois and also lived under the name of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Davis. I had not known that Vern Miller and his girl friend, Vi Mathis, were living at this address, previously. Around this time, Volney and I paid frequent visits to Cernocky's (first name Louie) place in Fox River Grove, Illinois. I wish to state that I met at this place for the first time the following people: Eddie and Bessie Green; Fred Barker and Paula Harmon; Alvin Karpis, whom the boys referred to as "Slim", and his wife, whose name I later learned was Delores; Kate Barker; Frank Nash, whom I knew only as "Jelly", and his wife, Francis; a girl named Helen, whose full name, I later learned, was Helen Ferguson; Vi Mathis; and Doc Stacci; on these visits to Louie's, Doris and Jess would accompany us, and I recall that we also met on one occasion a young blonde fellow, whom I later learned was Lester Gillis, alias "Baby Face" Nelson. I knew him as "Jimmy".

I distinctly recall the night of the Hamm kidnaping, which I know happened on June 15, 1933. With reference to this period and to my recollection, Volney left Maywood, Illinois, on or about June 12, 1933, in his Chevrolet car, which he had recently purchased, and drove

"to Neosho, Missouri, for the purpose of visiting his folks, and also to make certain arrangements concerning his leave of absence, which was to expire on July 1, 1933. Volney returned to Maywood, Illinois, on the day Hamm was kidnaped in St. Paul, and two days later, when the Kansas City Massacre occurred, I remember distinctly that Volney picked me up that afternoon at the beauty shop which was located on Fifty Avenue in Maywood, Illinois. My son Preston, who had accompanied Volney from Neosho, was with him at that time. I remember that we discussed the publicity given to the Kansas City Massacre and, as I recall, Volney stated that he was glad that he could prove where he was. He made a similar statement to me after reading the accounts in the newspapers concerning the Hamm kidnaping. I am positive that Volney was home every night during the period of time that Hamm was held by his abductors.

On or about July 1, 1933, Volney and I moved from Maywood, Illinois, to the Elanor-Memor Apartments at 7150 Cyril, Parkway, Chicago, Illinois. We lived here for only a short time, and none of the boys or their girl friends paid us any visits. Prior to this time, Doris and Jess had left Maywood, Illinois, and had gone to live with my mother at Cardin, Oklahoma. After living at the Elanor-Memor Apartments for about two weeks, Volney, I believe, borrowed \$500.00 from Fred Barker, using this money to purchase a new Ford coupe. I wish to state that around this time, we had borrowed considerably from Fred and Doc Barker, as we were "broke" most of the time.

On or about July 15, 1933, Fred Barker and Paula rented a cottage on Long Lake, which is located in Lake County, Illinois. Fred being aware of the fact that we were low on money invited us to live with them at this cottage. On numerous occasions while living on this lake, Paula and I had heated arguments in view of the fact that she was always mentioning to me that Volney at that time was "chasing" around with another girl, whom I believe also lived on this lake. She would also always bring up the subject that we were living off of Fred's money, which I did not like, and, as a result, I often wanted to get away from them, but Volney and I could not very well afford to do that, as (as I have stated before) we were low on money at that time.

I recall that on one occasion, while living at this place, Doc Barker and an old man who walked around with the aid of a cane, paid Fred and Volney a visit; I believe the boys called this old man "Chuch". Also on one or two occasions, they were visited by Alvin Karpis.

We left Long Lake on or about September 1, 1933, and Volney and I drove direct to Minneapolis, Minnesota. I believe Fred and Paula traveled in their car and we drove in our Ford Coupe. Our purpose

For going to Minneapolis at this time was to locate Doris and Jess, who at that time were on a fishing trip on a lake in Minnesota, some distance from Minneapolis. Doris had told me previously that they could be reached through Harry Sawyer, and therefore, in view of this, when Volney and I reached St. Paul, Minnesota, we contacted Harry Sawyer for this purpose, but he denied knowing where Doris and Jess were staying, stating that he did not hear from them. This was a lie, however, as Doris and Jess subsequently told us that they did inform Sawyer where they could be located. At this time, I wish to state that around this period, none of the boys were on speaking terms with Jess Doyle for the reason that they wanted him to break away from my sister Doris, and he would not do so. They believed that Doris was far too outspoken in her manners and also that she knew too much of Jess' business, of which they likewise disapproved. I believe that it was on account of this animosity that Harry Sawyer did not tell Volney and I where Jess and Doris could be located at the time we made our inquiries of him concerning them.

Because of the fact that we could not locate Doris and Jess, Volney and I left Minneapolis immediately and proceeded to Pittsburg, Kansas, arriving there on September 9, 1933, at which time, I learned that my father had died four days previous, and that he was being buried on that date.

When we arrived in Pittsburg, I attempted to contact my brother, Harry Stanley, who at that time was living on 22nd Street in Pittsburg. However, I learned through Mr. Boice, my father-in-law, that my brother was in Oklahoma attending my father's funeral. We waited in Pittsburg until Harry returned and then stayed with him and his wife over night. At this time, Volney traveled to Neosho, Missouri to visit his folks. Upon his return, he and I drove to Chicago, Illinois, and rented an apartment near 65th Street and Dorchester Avenue. While living here, Volney and I had one of our many quarrels on account of his chasing around with other women and, as a result, he left me for about one week. I wish to mention that around this period, we were still living on the money that Volney had borrowed from Fred Barker at Long Lake, Illinois. On or about October 1, 1933, I traveled alone to Minneapolis, Minnesota, and lived there for a short time with Doris and Jess. Volney drove up a few days later in his Ford Coupe, after which we rented an apartment on Lyndale Avenue, near Lake Street, in Minneapolis, at which place we lived for about two weeks. At this time, our money was running low, and Volney suggested that we drive to Reno, Nevada, for the purpose of borrowing some. It was apparent that Volney knew that the boys were in Reno at this time. When we arrived in that city, Volney cruised the streets, as he did not know where any of the boys were living. We met Doc Barker and he helped us find an apartment.

While in Reno, I met for the first time Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdett. I knew Harry Campbell as "George". We also met Alvin Karpis and Dolores and Fred and Paula, who had been living in Reno, prior to our arrival. I believe that Volney borrowed some money from either Fred or Doc Barker while in Reno. I recall that on one occasion, Volney took me to the Bank Club, a pretentious gambling establishment, where he showed me through the place.

Volney and I left Reno, Nevada, around the first of December of 1933 for St. Paul, Minnesota, and enroute at a point near Cheyenne, Wyoming, Volney had a wreck with his car. As a result, when we arrived in St. Paul, Minnesota, I was still badly injured. We rented an apartment in St. Paul under the name of Davis, but we were dissatisfied with this place and later took another apartment on Lexington Avenue. While in St. Paul, Minnesota, during this period, I met Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton for the first time. Doc Barker was also in the city at this time, as he paid us a few visits at our apartment, at which time he stated that he had just returned from Chicago. On Christmas Day, 1933, Harry Campbell, Wynona Burdett, Volney and I had dinner at the Hollywood Inn, and on New Year's Eve, Volney and I went to a show in Minneapolis.

Shortly after the holidays, Doris and Jess left St. Paul and I believe they went to Cardin, Oklahoma. I subsequently learned that they later went to Topeka, Kansas and lived at the Senate Apartments under the names of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Conley.

During the period from January 1, 1934, to January 17, 1934, the day of the Bremer Kidnaping, I saw in St. Paul, on various occasions, Harry Campbell, Bill Weaver, Arthur "Doc" Barker and Paula Harmon, and Wynona Burdett and Myrtle Eaton. Of course, Harry Sawyer and his wife Gladys were also there, as St. Paul is their home.

On January 17, 1934, the day of the Bremer kidnaping, I recall that Volney was at home that night, altho he was away part of the day. No one else stayed at my house that evening, and on the day that the news came out concerning the Bremer kidnaping, which I had heard over the radio, around 11:00 or 12:00 o'clock in the morning, Volney came in early that afternoon and stated that we had better leave; that something had happened, and he believed they were going to check some of the apartments; further stating that we could not stand an arrest. He suggested that I go into Chicago, and when I asked him whether he were going with me, he said "No" - that he would stay and clean up the apartment and leave later. I did not want to drive to Chicago alone, as I was sick at that time and knew that the roads were slippery. In this connection, he stated that he had a friend who would drive me to Chicago, whereupon I agreed, and I packed up a few things and left the apartment. We went downstairs and put the grips in our Ford coupe and while in this act, a man whom I later learned was Fred Goetz, alias George Ziegler

"came to the car and Volney introduced me to "George" as "Rabbits". Volney then said that George would drive me to Chicago, and that he would help me get an apartment there. Enroute to Chicago, George told me that a man named Willie Harris would arrange for an apartment for me. At this time, he gave me Willie's telephone number and stated that Paula and Wynona had already left St. Paul for Chicago, and that we should meet them on the road, which we subsequently did somewhere in Wisconsin. When we recognized them, George stopped the car. At this time, I noticed that Paula was crying about driving to Chicago over the slippery roads. Paula was also angry with Wynona because Wynona insisted that she, Wynona, drive, and Paula did not want her to. Wynona then said that she wished she could ride to Chicago with George and me. At this time, I told Wynona and Paula that I was going to rent an apartment in Chicago, and that they could stay with me if they wanted to. George had previously suggested this arrangement to me. I gave Wynona the telephone number of Willie Harris, which George had given me and told her to call that number immediately upon her arrival in Chicago, and that Willie would let her know where I was staying. After this conversation, George and I continued to Chicago, and that night George took me to some small rooming house in Hammond, Indiana, and instructed me to register there under the name of Mrs. E. J. Snyder, which I did. He left in Volney's Ford coupe, stating that Willie would be around the following morning to see me. On the next day at about noon, Willie Harris came to the rooming house, and I overheard him ask for Mrs. Snyder at the desk. I introduced myself to him, and he told me that George had sent him to get an apartment for me. I wish to state that this was the first time I had ever met Willie Harris, whose correct name I later learned is Willie Harrison. We drove to Chicago in a Ford coupe (not Volney's) and he took me to an apartment on University near 63rd Street, where I registered under the name of Mrs. Snyder. Willie subsequently departed.

Either on the next day or the day after, Wynona and Paula came to my apartment sometime in the evening. They told me that they had difficulty in finding me as they could not get in touch with Willie. They further stated that they were living at the Fullerton Plaza Hotel in Chicago, whereupon the three of us, that is, Wynona, Paula and myself, drove to this hotel in a Chevrolet sedan, which Paula had driven in from St. Paul, and moved their baggage to my apartment that same evening. On the following day, which was January 21, 1934, Volney came to my apartment late in the afternoon. He was alone at this time, and I noticed that he had his own car, that is the car in which George had driven me to Chicago three days previous. In view of this, it was apparent that George had seen Volney in the meantime, and had given him his automobile. I am positive that Wynona and Paula were at the apartment the day Volney arrived. As I recall, he remained there for two days and left sometime in the afternoon. I believe he left alone

in his Ford Coupe. On the night of the day that Volney left, Paula and I got into an argument about Volney chasing around with other women. I told her at this time that it was none of her business, after which she brought up the subject about Volney owing Fred Barker a lot of money and living off of him. This angered me so much that I slapped her face and insisted that she move from the apartment as soon as possible, as I did not want her to live with me anymore. She left the following day, obtaining an apartment at 67th Street and Stony Island Avenue in Chicago. I believe that Volney returned to Chicago the day Paula was moving. He noticed that her face was very much bruised, and in this connection asked me what had happened. I told him about the argument we had, but Volney did not say anything about it. He remained with me for three or four days on this trip and on two occasions during his stay, he drove Wynona and me to the Loop district in Chicago, as Wynona wanted to see the sights, as she had never been in Chicago before. When Volney left at the end of three or four days, he said that he would see me again soon. He did not indicate where he was going, nor what his business was. I believe that Doc Barker paid us a visit at the apartment around this time. He remained for only an hour. He heard about the argument between Paula and me and I think he just came up to kid me about it.

Volney returned to the apartment alone about two or three days later, and it was at this time that Wynona asked him where Buff (Harry Campbell) was. Volney answered her that he did not know where Buff was, whereupon Wynona stated "I wish he would come on home". During Volney's stay at this time, Wynona repeatedly asked Volney concerning the whereabouts of "her Buff", and this aggravated him so that he told her emphatically to shut up and not to ask him anymore, repeatedly stating that he did not know. Volney left Chicago again after two or three days and during this period, Fred Barker paid us a visit for the purpose of seeing how Wynona and I were getting along. He also asked me at this time about the argument that Paula and I previously had, and I told him that he should ask her about it. Two or three days later, Volney again returned to the apartment, remained two days and then left.

On the day that I read in the newspapers about Bremer's release, I recall that Volney was not at home. I believe he was not at home the day previous either. However, he came home the day after Bremer's release and on either the next day or the day following, Harry Campbell came to the apartment. This was the first time Wynona and I had seen him since the time we left St. Paul, which was on the day or the day after the kidnaping. I also desire to state at this time that while we were living at the above address, Willie Harris visited us on one occasion.

"I recall that about two days after Harry Campbell's arrival in Chicago, he and Wynona left for Toledo, Ohio. Volney and I continued to live at the apartment on University Street for about a week or ten days, after which we moved to Aurora, Illinois, obtaining an apartment at 415 Fox Street under the name of Hansen. We had no particular motive for moving to Aurora, Illinois, other than we wanted to live in a small town and wanted to be by ourselves. Shortly after our arrival in this city, I happened to be in the Riverside Cafe, which is owned and operated by Matt Kirsch. I had previously known a Corey Bales, having met him in Montgomery, Illinois, in 1929, and while I was at the Riverside Cafe, on this occasion, I casually asked Matt whether he knew Corey Bales. Matt stated that he knew him well and volunteered to call him up and have him come to the tavern if I so desired. I saw Corey that afternoon, and later in the day, I introduced him to Volney as Curly Hanson after which we went to Corey's home and met his girl friend, Violet Gregg. I believe Corey and Vi were living at 202 High Street in Aurora. We soon became very friendly, and after Corey and a man by the name of Matt Gleason opened their "Booky-Joint" on South Broadway in Aurora, Volney went to work for them operating a dice table. As I recall this place was located over a fruit stand on South Broadway near Main Street. I think it is now closed. Corey operated the gambling room and Matt Gleason ran the book-making end of it. There was also working at this place a fellow named Johnny, whose last name I do not know. He worked on the black-jack table. Volney was making quite a bit of money in this endeavor and was very much satisfied with his work. About three or four weeks after we arrived in Aurora, Illinois, Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton moved there, and they rented an apartment on Main and High Streets. This apartment was likewise owned by Frank Burkell, whom they met through us. I don't believe Bill was doing any work while in Aurora, and he kept very much to himself, as Volney was very busy at that time with his work. While in Aurora, we also became well acquainted with Ted Smith, who owned a tavern near the railroad tracks. Ted was living near us on Fox Street, and kept his car in the same garage in which we had ours.

On or about March 23, 1934, two days after we heard that Fred Goetz was assassinated in Chicago, Illinois, by reading it in the newspapers, Volney, Violet and I returned home that evening around eight or nine o'clock. As we drove to the front of the house, we noticed two women on the porch apparently making inquiries. Volney got out of the car and walked towards them and it appeared that he was acquainted with one of them. At any rate, he conversed with them for awhile, after which he told me to go over to Vi's place and stay there until he returned, which I did. I saw him the following day, and at this time, he told me that the two women above mentioned were Kate Barker and a girl named Irene. I could see that he was very much perturbed about some-

thing, and I asked him what had happened. He replied that he did not like the idea of Kate Barker bringing a strange woman to where he was living, as he always deemed it a good policy to let as few people as possible know of his whereabouts. The above incident aggravated him so much that he often talked about moving from Aurora on account of that. About two or three weeks later, he told me that he had to go to Ohio and suggested that I go home for awhile. However, we did not move until April 29, 1934, two days after the publicity came out concerning the arrest of Boss McLaughlin in Chicago for exchanging Bremer ransom money. At this time, he stated that he did not think it was safe for us to remain in Aurora, as too many people had knowledge as to where we were living. He stated he was going to Toledo, Ohio, and suggested that I live with Corey and Vi for a while and then go home. On the morning of April 29, 1934, which I know was on Sunday, Willie Harrison came to our apartment and shortly thereafter he drove away with Volney. Before they left, however, Volney gave me the telephone number of the Casino Club in Toledo, instructing me to call that number when I arrived in Toledo. I believe Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton left the day previous, which would have been April 28, 1934. As I recall, I was in their home on the morning of that day, and Myrtle stated that she was very ill. She did not indicate at this time that they were leaving. I believe Myrtle went to Des Moines, Iowa, from Aurora, and Bill went somewhere else, because when I subsequently saw Myrtle in Ohio, she indicated to me that she had been home. My reason for thinking that Bill did not accompany her to Des Moines was in view of what she told me at one time to the effect that she was being watched in Des Moines by the law for Bill Weaver. I remained with Volney and Corey several days, after which I traveled by plane to Tulsa, Oklahoma, for the purpose of seeing my son Preston. While in Oklahoma, I met Doris and Jess, and thereafter they, together with Preston, accompanied me to Aurora, Illinois. We traveled in Jess' Nash automobile. Preston and I lived with Violet and Corey for a week or ten days and Doris and Jess rented an apartment in the same building in which Bill and Myrtle previously lived. I believe that they resided there under the name of E. A. Conley. Around this time, Matt Kirsch opened the Fox Gardens in Aurora, and Corey was instrumental in getting a job for my son Preston in that place. He operated the dice table.

I forgot to mention that while we were living in Aurora, Illinois, during March and April, 1934, Volney made two or three trips to Chicago, but to my knowledge he never remained over night. He also was acquainted with a man named "Hunky" who worked in the "Booky-Joint" of the Riverside Hotel, which was also owned by Matt Kirsch.

I also forgot to mention the fact that Volney sold his Ford coupe while in Aurora and subsequently purchased a second hand 1930 or 1931

model Buick Sedan. The reason for this sale and purchase was because the Ford coupe was registered under the name of Davis and inasmuch as Volney was living in Aurora by the name of Hansen, he believed that the connection of these names would arouse some suspicion. He purchased the Buick sedan under the name of G. R. Hansen.

About two weeks after Volney left for Toledo, Ohio, I proceeded to that point by bus and checked in at the Algeo Hotel. I immediately called the Casino Club and asked for "Curly" but was informed by someone that he was not there, but was expected soon. I then went to the club alone and waited there for two or three hours before Volney arrived. That night we stayed at the Algeo Hotel and on the following day, we went into an apartment we had rented in Toledo, the Jarvis Apartments. This was around May 15, 1934. While living at this place, we were visited on two occasions by Doc Barker and a man named Jimmy, whom I later learned is Jimmy Wilson. Also during this period, we made frequent visits to the Casino Club, above mentioned, and while there, we saw on various occasions Doc Barker, Fred Barker, Paula Harmon, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Jimmy Wilson, Willie Harrison and Wynona Burdett. I also saw at this place "Rusty" Gibson, whom I had met ten years ago in Kansas City. Volney did not spend very much time at this club, as he did not care very much about the Angus brothers.

While in Toledo at this time, I particularly noted that Volney had in his possession more money than he previously had had for sometime; that is, I knew that he wasn't borrowing any more money. During this period, he purchased a new Ford Sedan for cash and gave me \$250.00 for a cancer operation, which I necessarily had to have. I only remained in Toledo, Ohio, for two weeks at this time, and around the first part of June 1934, Volney drove me back to Aurora, Illinois, so that I could make the necessary arrangements for my operation. However, I did not go through with this operation, inasmuch as Dr. Freeds of the Christ Hospital wanted the record of my previous operation, and I could not furnish him with this record without revealing my true identity. After Volney brought me to Aurora, he immediately left and returned two weeks later. At this time, I particularly noticed that something was wrong with Volney's fingertips. I asked him concerning what had happened, and he advised that he had had them worked on in Toledo, Ohio; that it was not a very good job. He also pointed at two cuts which were located immediately below his hear, and he stated in this connection that some work also had been done on them, but that he later changed his mind.

At this time, Corey Bales told Volney that he had received two letters from a man named Nichols, who was in Glasgow, Montana, stating that things were humming out there. Corey indicated that he would go out there in a short time to stay and would start up a business, whereupon

Volney expressed the wish that he would like to go along. Volney and I left Aurora the next day, and he drove me to a cottage at Lake Erie, near Sandusky, Ohio. I had not known that he had rented this cottage, but his reason for doing so was that he believed that I had been operated upon in Aurora, and that he wanted to take me to this place for recuperation. When we arrived at the cottage, Bill Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were already living there and shortly thereafter,

Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdett rented another cottage in the close vicinity. While at this place, we were visited on numerous occasions by Doc Barker, Jimmy Wilson, Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker and Paula. Also on one occasion while at this cottage, Wynona and I drove to Toledo, Ohio, to visit Madeline Angus at her apartment, as she had just gotten out of the hospital after an operation.

About a week or ten days after our arrival at Sandusky, Ohio, Volney and I drove to Aurora, Illinois, for the purpose of learning whether Corey Bales had left for Glasgow, Montana, and Vi told us at this time that Corey had gone the week previous and at this time, she showed us two letters which she had received from Bales. In these letters, Bales stated that things looked pretty good in Glasgow and in view of this he desired to remain there and start up a business. Upon hearing this, Volney was very much enthused about going to Glasgow, and, in this connection, after we returned to Sandusky, Volney proceeded to Cleveland, Ohio, and purchased a Chevrolet truck, trading in his own Buick Sedan on same. This Buick car had been driven up to Toledo from Aurora by Jimmy Wilson, and from this point I drove the Buick to the cottage where we remained for a few days.

Sometime during the latter part of July, 1934, while at Sandusky, Ohio, Volney, Bill, Myrtle and I were playing horseshoes in the yard in the rear of the cottage. Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis came to the house on this occasion and joined us. I wish to state that at this time, Bill Weaver had previously brought two young girls named Winnie and Betty to the cottage. I believe that these girls were related to Myrtle in some manner. While Fred and Alvin were playing horseshoes, Volney went swimming with the two kids above mentioned. When he returned from the lake, I observed him walk to the rear of the house, as at that time I was sitting on the front porch, and I happened to go into the kitchen to get something, and while there I overheard a heated argument between Fred Barker and Volney. From their conversation, I believed they were arguing about something that Fred's mother was supposed to have said about Volney, which Volney thought was a lie. I overheard him say, "I am a man and I cover all the ground I stand on. I wouldn't bring my mother into an argument; you would be a -----! if you didn't hold up for your mother, but I still say she is a damn liar". After Fred and Alvin left, Volney told me that he was getting

"tired of that old lady lying on him; that she just causes a lot of friction. I tried to console Volney by telling him to forget about it, but he stated that he was through with them and did not want to have anything more to do with them. He also stated at this time that we would live by ourselves hereafter and get away from everyone.

I also desire to state that the boys likewise did not like Bill Weaver, altho at times they would be very friendly to him. I believe the reason for this friction was on account of Bill and Myrtle having the two children with them at the lake, of which they did not approve.

Shortly after the above mentioned argument, Harry and Gladys Sawyer paid us a visit as did Willie Harrison. I recall that Willie at this time told me that he was out on bond on a rape charge at Hammond, Indiana. On or about August 1, 1934, Volney and I left Sandusky and drove in our Ford V08 Sedan to Buffalo, N.Y., arriving there late in the afternoon. I was still having trouble with my feet and when we checked into the hotel in Buffalo, I lay down to rest and Volney left the hotel for a walk and returned about two or three hours later. On the next morning, we drove to Niagara Falls, from which place Volney sent a postal card to his folks in Neosho, Missouri. We remained at the falls for the greater part of that day, and that night, we returned to the cottage at Sandusky, stopping enroute at Cleveland, Ohio, to get the Chevrolet truck which Volney had purchased, previously. At this point, I desire to state that while we were in Aurora, Illinois, on our last trip there, Volney told Vi to write Corey and let him know that we were going to Glasgow and that he wanted to go into partnership with him in a business out there. When we left Sandusky, we decided to go to Glasgow, Montana, and in this connection, I drove the Ford Sedan to Aurora, Illinois, and stayed with Violet Gregg at the Fox Gardens. I believe Volney drove the Chevrolet truck to Cardin, Oklahoma, to pick up my son Preston, as we had decided to take him with us to Glasgow. I only remained in Aurora over night, at that time, after which Violet and I drove to Glasgow in the Ford sedan by way of St. Paul, Minnesota. On our way we turned over in the car near Minot, North Dakota, on account of the slippery pavement. This I judge to have been around the first week in August of 1934. As a result of our accident, Violet and I were in the hospital for two days and one night under the name of E. J. Powell. My reason for assuming this name was because of the fact that the Ford was registered under that name at that time. After our accident, I had telephoned to Corey Bales at Glasgow, Montana, advising him of our predicament. The following day, he came to Minot, North Dakota, by train and took us to Glasgow. Upon our arrival there, the three of us, that is, Vi, Corey and I registered at the Rapp Hotel, and on the following day, Volney and Preston arrived in the Chevrolet truck, after which the five of us rented a furnished home in Hinsdale, Montana, for \$10.00 a week. Volney, Corey and Preston immediately went to work in Rennick's beer tavern operating a gambling business in this

"tavern. About this time, Volney and Corey were arranging to construct a beer tavern and dance hall in Glasgow, Montana, and I heard Volney state at one time that it would cost him \$6000.00 when this place was completed. About three weeks after our arrival in Glasgow, I left with Preston for home, because Volney and I had an argument concerning Corey and my son, who weren't getting along very well, possibly due to the way the money was being split which they were making.

As I recall, Preston and I traveled by bus to Kansas City, Missouri, where I stayed with Jess and Doris at 39th Street, near Main. While at this address, I received one letter from Volney, in which he stated that he did not think that I had treated him right by running off, as he was making a sincere effort to stay in a legitimate business. I replied that I did not care to live in Montana, and that I would return to Glasgow to get the Ford Sedan, which had been repaired at Minot, North Dakota, and which had since then been returned to Glasgow by Volney. I took the bus back to Minot, North Dakota, and from that point traveled by train to Glasgow, arriving on about October 1, 1934. When I arrived there, I observed that the beer tavern and the dance hall that Bales and Volney were building was practically finished.

Volney and I left Glasgow on or about October 6 or 7, 1934, and drove to Aurora, Illinois. While in this city, Volney learned through some source that two men had been making inquiries concerning him sometime previous. Volney immediately knew that these persons were police officers, as he did not think that any of his friends would be inquiring for him in Aurora. From Aurora, Illinois, we drove to Kansas City, Missouri, where we sold the Ford Sedan for \$400.00. On the following day, Volney gave Doris some money and told her to go to the Noel V. Wood Motor Car Company on McGee Street and buy a new Pontiac Sedan under the name of Grace R. Hansen, address Belton, Missouri. Volney had previously gone to this Pontiac agency to look over the cars and he had selected this particular sedan, which he told Doris to purchase. I believe that on the day on which Doris purchased the car, Volney had gone to Belton, Missouri, and rented a post office box in that city. The reason he did not trade in the Ford sedan on this Pontiac car was because of the fact that the Ford had been purchased under the name of E. J. Powell, and he wanted to discard that name and again use the name of Hansen.

After we purchased the Pontiac Sedan, Volney and I started for Glasgow, Montana, but stopped in Welliston, North Dakota, where we had to have the car serviced. Volney told me to wait in this town until the car was ready, and that he would proceed to Glasgow to see if anyone had been looking for him at that point. He returned to Welliston, North Dakota, the following day and told me that Corey had informed him that someone had been asking for him at Rennick's place in Hins-

"dale, Montana; that when Corey told him this, Volney advised him that he would have to leave Glasgow forever, as he had violated his parole and, consequently, he was afraid of being arrested.

From Welliston, North Dakota, Volney and I drove to Kansas City, Mo., and stayed for about an hour with Jess and Doris, after which he and I proceeded to Muskogee, Oklahoma, to see my brother Harry. Volney's real reason for this was that he wanted Harry and his wife to go to Glasgow, Montana, to see how things were going on there and, generally, take care of his interests in the business. We remained in Muskogee for only a few days and then returned to Kansas City, Missouri, and lived with Doris and Jess. About four or five days later, Volney and I obtained an apartment at the Zelda Apartments, located at 3213 Broadway, Apartment 12, under the name of G. R. Hansen. During this time Volney associated with Jess most of the time, but he also was acquainted with Jack Langdon, who, I believe, is very friendly with Jess Doyle. Around the first part of November, 1934, Volney and I had another argument, and as a result, he left for two or three days, leaving the Pontiac car with me. I do not know where he went at this time, but it is entirely possible that he went to Chicago, altho I am not sure. He returned shortly before Thanksgiving, and I recall that on Thanksgiving Day we had dinner with Doris and Jess and my son Preston, who, in the meantime, had come up from Cardin, Oklahoma. Shortly thereafter, Volney and I obtained an apartment at 3213 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri. Around the middle of December, 1934, Volney told me that he was going to Chicago and asked if I wanted to go with him. He did not indicate to me why he was going to Chicago, or who he was going to see, but on this trip, I particularly noticed that as we passed through Bensonville, he passed a barbecue stand, which we had previously frequented, and stopped at a gas station about 200 feet away. We obtained gas at this point and drove to Aurora, Illinois, and stopped at Matt Kirsch's place. At this time, both Volney and I had been drinking rather heavily, and he was somewhat intoxicated when we arrived in Aurora. After he came out of Matt Kirsch's place, he told me that Matt had informed him that he was "hotter than hell". From Aurora we returned to Bensonville, and Volney stopped at the place which we had passed that afternoon. He went in and returned a few minutes later, but did not say anything to me as to whom he saw, or what he had learned. From the above, it is obvious that Volney left Kansas City with the express purpose of possibly contacting someone at this barbecue stand in Bensonville, but when he drove past the stand in the afternoon, he possibly saw that the man he wanted to contact was not there and as a result he drove to Aurora, Illinois, just to "kill some time"; however, when he later returned, and had successfully made his contact, we returned to Kansas City.

I also wish to state at this time that with reference to the above barbecue stand, Volney and I had visited this place on one occasion in

October of 1934, at which time I was introduced to a man named Elmer. This place is, I believe, owned by a German and is situated on a four lane highway immediately outside of Bensonville.

On our way to Kansas City at this time, we had an accident near Pontiac, Illinois, on account of the slippery highways. We contacted a garage, and shortly thereafter a wrecker came to the scene and towed our car into the first small town south of Pontiac, where we had it repaired for about \$12.00. We remained in a hotel in this town over night, and on the following day we obtained our car and drove to Kansas City, Missouri.

About two days before Christmas, Volney and I drove in our Pontiac Sedan to Pittsburg, Kansas, to see the Stanleys, who were then living at 206 East Adams Street. Our reason for going to Pittsburg at this time was to learn from Harry Stanley how things were going on in Glasgow, Montana. When we arrived at 206 East Adams, we parked our car in Stanley's garage and entered the house. At this time, Mrs. Stanley's brother, sister and father were visiting them. Harry informed Volney that the place in Montana was not being run very well, and that it wasn't making any money. He also stated that a man named "Gip" was working for Corey at Glasgow, Montana, and I recall that this same fellow had previously worked for Matt Kirsch at the Fox Gardens in Aurora.

We spent Christmas Day in Kansas City, Missouri, with Doris, Jess and my son Preston, who, in the meantime, had come in from McPherson, where he had been working for Earl Stuchlick. From this time, we made no subsequent trips and shortly after Christmas, Earl drove to Kansas City and took Preston with him to McPherson.

I distinctly recall the day the papers carried the story of the killing of Russell Gibson, and also the arrest of Byron Bolton. Volney read about it and showed it to me, indicating at that time that he was acquainted with Byron Bolton, whose name was also carried as Monty Carter. At the time I observed the name Monty Carter in the newspapers, I mentioned to Volney that that probably was an alias of Willie Harrison, as the earlier editions carried a story that Willie Harrison was the person that was held in the raid which resulted in the death of Rusty Gibson; however, Volney curtly remarked that Monty Carter was not Willie Harrison, giving me the impression that he knew who "Monty" was.

Shortly after the foregoing, Volney personally applied for a 1935 license for the Pontiac car, at which time he used the name of G.L. Harper, and gave as his address Post Office Box 12 at Raytown, Missouri. I believe he rented this box at Raytown just prior to the time he applied for the registration. Around this time, Jess purchased a 1933 Chevrolet coupe having previously sold his Buick Coach for about \$450.00. He purchased this Chevrolet under the name of G. C. Stacey, or J. E. Stacey, after he and Doris had moved to 23 Warner Plaza in Kansas City, Missouri.

"When the newspaper carried the story about the killing of Fred and Kate Barker in Florida, Volney stated to me that he guessed that Freddie had become acquainted with some people who gave him away. There wasn't very much said about their deaths, as Volney felt badly about it. A few days later, when the papers published the story to the effect that Doc Barker had been arrested in Chicago, Volney likewise felt badly about this, as he and Doc were very intimate friends, altho they did have their arguments occasionally. Volney also stated at this time that should he ever get into a spot as Freddie and his mother did, he would certainly surrender, instead of attempting to shoot his way out.

On Saturday or Sunday prior to the date that Doris shot Mrs. Rush, Volney and I moved to Apartment 209 at the Beaumont Apartments, which building I believe is located in the 3000 block on Baltimore Street in Kansas City, Missouri. Before we left 3213 Broadway, Volney and I both read where he had been indicted in St. Paul, Minnesota, in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case. At that time, Volney said that it was a tough break for us. He also stated that the Government had no case against him, altho it did look bad for him as he was associated with the boys around that time.

On Tuesday morning, February 5, 1935, Volney made an appointment for me at the beauty parlor located on the corner of Main and 31st Streets in Kansas City. This appointment was made at about 12:00 o'clock Noon, and was for 1:30 P.M. that afternoon. Volney had placed the Pontiac car in the United Motors Service Garage, located at 27th and McGee Streets, the day previous, and I believe that he was told that the car would be ready around Wednesday Noon. I returned from the beauty parlor at about 2:30 or 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5th, and at that time Volney was already at the apartment. Shortly thereafter, he left home and stated that he was going to walk over to Jess and Doris' apartment at Warner Plaza, and I believe that he and Jess subsequently drove out to Raytown, Missouri, to see if there was any mail, as he was expecting his registration card at this time. He returned at about 4:30 p.m. with Jess that afternoon and Jess left immediately in his Chevrolet coupe.

After Volney and I had dinner that night, we walked to the Crown Drug Store at 31st and Main Streets, and then came home and went to bed. Jess awakened us about 7:00 a.m. the following morning and told us that Doris was in jail for shooting a woman. He brought with him a newspaper and we read the story of the shooting therein. At about 11:20 a.m. Wednesday morning, February 6, 1935, Volney left the house to get the car. That afternoon we had intended to pick up my laundry and then drive to Raytown, Missouri, to see if the registration card on the car had ever come through from Jefferson City, Missouri. Jess returned to his apartment packed his bags and came to my place around

"6:00 or 7:00 p.m. At this time, I was beginning to get worried because Volney had not as yet returned, and I took a cab to a spot close to the United Motors Service Garage and walked by the place. I looked into the garage, but could not see our car. At this time, I was pretty certain that Volney had been arrested and immediately returned to the apartment, packed two bags, after which Jess and I left in his car. We drove around Kansas City for about three or four hours and went by the apartment again to see if there was any light therein, as we still had hopes that Volney might return. We did not know what to do, but finally decided to drive to Pittsburg, Kansas, and stay at my brother's place over night. We arrived there at about 1:00 a.m. on the morning of Feb. 7, 1935, and I informed the Stanleys what had happened, that is that Doris was in jail and that Volney had probably been arrested by the police. They, naturally, felt badly about this and we sat up half the night talking about what to do. At about eight o'clock that morning, Jess read in the newspaper that he was a fugitive and I believe that the newspapers also gave a description of the car that he was supposed to be driving. This worried Jess very much and as a consequence he quickly made up his mind to leave. He asked me if I wanted to go with him, but I refused as I was very sick at that time. When Jess left, he did not indicate where he was going, nor when he would return. At this time, Harry stated that he was going out to get a bottle of liquor. He returned about ten minutes later and stated that someone had been shooting at Jess in the Chevrolet car. About three minutes later, I observed three men drive up to the front of the house and shortly thereafter, two men came in the front door and arrested all of us. I had a .32 calibre automatic pistol, but it was lying on the Davenport when these men arrested me.

Concerning the Travelers' checks, which were found in my possession in the car abandoned by Jess Doyle, I desire to state that I had first seen these checks on the night of February 6, 1935, as I was packing my clothes. I saw these checks in the pocket of the cover of my overnight bag, and I hastily looked at them and threw them back into this pocket. I do not know where they came from, nor who put them there.

I have read the foregoing statement, which consists of 19 typewritten pages and swear that the same is true to the best of my knowledge.

Witnesses:

/s/ Edna Murray

/s/ John L. Madala

John L. Madala, Special Agent,

Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

/s/ R. P. Shanahan.

R. P. Shanahan, Special Agent

Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

In connection with the above it should also be noted that in several places it is quite probable that Edna Murray is not telling the truth, or at least is concealing certain facts known to her, especially concerning her contacts and those of Volney Davis during the past three or four months in the vicinity of Kansas City, and also in Aurora and Bensenville, Illinois. With these thoughts in mind further investigation is being pursued by this office to determine who the past associates and contacts of these people might be in Kansas City and facts that have been learned up to this time in this respect will be set out later in this report.

While incarcerated in the Crawford County Jail at Girard, Kansas, attempts were also made by Bureau Agents to elicit full information concerning his past activities from Jess Doyle. These inquiries were continued after Doyle had been removed to the Wyandotte County Jail in Kansas City, Kansas, and on February 15, 1935, he signed a written statement fully divulging his activities from the time of his release from the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, which occurred on June 17, 1932. Certain contacts and associates had prior to that time are also included in this statement but are not elaborated upon. It should be particularly noted that in addition to his intimate acquaintance with Alvin Karpis, Fred Barker, Doc Barker, Volney Davis, and others, whose names are mentioned, he has made full disclosures concerning his knowledge of certain bank robberies which were committed by members of this gang and their other associates. These include the Fort Scott, Kansas bank robbery, which occurred on June 17, 1932; the robbery of the Third Northwestern Bank of Minneapolis, Minnesota, which occurred on December 16, 1932 and the Fairbury, Nebraska bank robbery, which occurred on April 3, 1933.

Relative to possible contacts and associates of Volney Davis in this vicinity, Doyle apparently was more willing to offer assistance in this respect than Edna Murray, as has been mentioned before in this report. Since the date of the signing of this statement additional interviews have been had with Doyle, and more information obtained, the pertinent points of which will be dealt with later in this report.

The statement submitted by Jess Doyle was signed on February 15, 1935, copies of which were transmitted to the Bureau and to the Chicago and St. Paul Bureau Offices on that date. The original of this statement likewise will be forwarded immediately to the St. Paul Office in view of the recent removal of this Subject from Kansas City, Kansas to St. Paul, Minnesota. The statement of Jess Doyle is quoted as follows:

February 15, 1935
Wyandotte County Jail
Kansas City, Kansas.

I, Jess Doyle, alias E. A. Connley, alias E. V. Connley, alias J. C. Stacey, make the following signed statement to John L.

Madala, whom I know to be a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau Of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, of my own free will, without any promises or threats having been made to me and being warned that whatever I say may be used against me at any time.

I was born in Elberton, Georgia in 1900 and was never married. The last time I saw my parents was in 1926 and I do not know whether they are living at the present time.

I met Fred and Doc Barker along in 1915 or 1916 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. We were just kids then. In 1920 I was arrested for car thievery in Tulsa, Oklahoma and was sentenced to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester for 13 years and 4 months. I was released from that institution on July 28, 1926, and later met Fred Barker and his brother Herman in South Coffeyville, Kansas, at which time they told me that they were operating a Bath House near the Oklahoma-Arkansas state line, South of Claremore, Oklahoma. I believe it was called the Radium Springs and consisted of a large hotel and numerous small cabins.

I was arrested again in January 1927 at Parsons, Kansas for burglary and was convicted on this charge, receiving a sentence of 5 to 10 years. While in the Kansas State Penitentiary I became acquainted with Alvin Karpis and Lawrence Duval. Fred Barker had already been in the penitentiary when I got there. I believe he was doing time for burglary. While in this institution I did Fred Barker several favors and when he was released he told me that he would watch newspapers to see when I would get out and then would meet me in Kansas City, Missouri in front of the Majestic Hotel.

I was released from the Kansas State Penitentiary on June 17, 1932, and proceeded direct to Kansas City, Missouri by street car. I waited for Fred Barker around the Majestic Hotel all that day and he finally showed up around 8 P.M. that evening. He took me to his apartment at the Country Club Plaza where he was living with his mother and Alvin Karpis. At this time he gave me \$400.00 or \$500.00 for clothes and living expenses. During this period the Fort Scott, Kansas bank was robbed, and the following is my knowledge of this robbery:

FORT SCOTT BANK ROBBERY

This robbery occurred on the day I was released from the Kansas State Penitentiary, which was June 17, 1932, and to my knowledge the following men participated: FRANCIS KEATING; THOMAS HOLDEN; HARVEY BAILEY; LARRY DUVAL; ALVIN KARPIS; FRED BARKER and BIG PHIL (Bernard Phillips).

On the night I arrived at Fred's apartment I observed all of

the above named individuals there. On one instance Fred went out by himself and returned shortly thereafter with a large laundry bag. I subsequently saw all of the men with large quantities of money and I surmised that the sack I saw Fred previously bring into the apartment contained the loot in this robbery and that the split was made there. Mother Barker and I were not present in the apartment when the split apparently was made. We were sitting on the porch. I later learned from conversation with Fred Barker that the money he had brought in as above indicated was that of the Fort Scott bank robbery.

After the arrest of Francis Keating, Thomas Holden and Harvey Bailey in Kansas City, Missouri, on July 7, 1932, Alvin Karpis and Mother Barker left that night and proceeded to St. Paul, Minnesota. Fred Barker, Larry DuVal and I went to a tourist camp which is located on the main highway just north of North Kansas City. We went there at Fred's suggestion as he later wanted to return to Kansas City to get some luggage which he had left behind in the apartment. However, he sent Larry DuVal to the apartment for this luggage, and while he was gone Bernard Phillips, whom I knew as "Big Phil" came to the tourist camp. After Larry's return the four of us; that is, Fred, Larry, Phil and I, remained at this camp overnight, and on the following day Fred, Larry and I drove to St. Paul, Minnesota, and I believe Big Phil remained in Kansas City as his girl friend, Winnie, who was arrested along with Keating, Holden and Bailey, was in the Kansas City Jail at that time.

Upon arriving in St. Paul, Minnesota we met Alvin Karpis and Kate Barker in a car on a street near Harry Sawyer's place. Fred and his mother then rented an apartment on Grand Avenue in St. Paul, and Alvin Karpis and I went to live with them. I believe Larry DuVal lived by himself in an apartment nearby. We remained at this apartment for about two months and then moved to the Twin Oaks or Three Oaks Apartments in St. Paul. Around this time Fred was successful in getting for his brother "Doc" a conditional pardon from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, through an attorney by the name of Lester. I believe he is from McAlester, Oklahoma. Fred and Doc were subsequently instrumental in procuring a leave of absence for Volney Davis, also from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, and I believe that the negotiations were likewise made through Lester of McAlester.

After Doc was released he went to visit his father at Neosho, Missouri, and then came to St. Paul to live with us. Shortly after Volney got out of the penitentiary he likewise came to St. Paul and soon thereafter he accompanied Mother Barker on a visit to her sister

in California. I believe they subsequently went to Reno, Nevada. At this time the Third Northwestern Bank of Minneapolis was robbed, and the following is my knowledge of same.

THIRD NORTHWESTERN BANK OF MINNEAPOLIS ROBBERY.

This robbery occurred on December 16, 1932 and the following men took part: FRED BARKER; DOC BARKER; LARRY DUVAL; BILL WEAVER alias Bill Scott; ALVIN KARPIS; VERN MILLER; JESS DOYLE.

Fred Barker, Doc Barker, Alvin Karpis and I were living at either the Twin Oaks or Three Oaks Apartments in St. Paul at that time. We had a meeting place in a garage in Minneapolis shortly before the robbery, and I drove the above mentioned men to the bank in a Lincoln Sedan. I was wearing a chauffeur's cap at this time. All of the boys entered the bank and I drove the car a couple of hundred feet down the street. Shortly afterwards I observed Larry DuVal come out of the bank to act as a look-out. A few minutes later the others emerged from the bank and, simultaneously, a squad car pulled up in front of Larry. He fired at the police officers in this car with a machine gun and killed two of them. When I saw the boys come from the bank I drove the Lincoln car to where they were and they got in. Vern Miller got into the driver's seat, replacing my position, and drove away. As we were making our getaway the police fired at our car and punctured two of our tires. Vern drove at a rapid rate of speed to a park in St. Paul where we abandoned the Lincoln car on account of the punctured tires. Fred instructed Alvin Karpis and I to get away, stating that he would meet us at the apartment. Alvin and I took a cab and as we were leaving I heard several shots fired a short distance away. Alvin and I proceeded direct to our apartment and sometime afterwards Fred and Doc arrived, and at this time he gave us our split. I believe the money was previously divided in Larry's apartment. I subsequently heard, through conversations with Fred and Doc, that when the boys were changing the cars in St. Paul some person in an automobile drove past them and tried to see their license number and one of the boys shot him in the head. I do not know who "cased" this job nor do I recall the amount of my split. None of our boys were wounded. Larry DuVal was arrested in his apartment the following night while drunk and was charged with participation in this robbery. I believe he plead guilty and received a life sentence.

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Harry Hull, who was living with Larry DuVal at that time, notified us the following morning of Larry's arrest, whereupon all of us, with the exception of Vern Miller, left St. Paul and drove to Reno, Nevada, at Fred's suggestion. Upon our arrival in Reno Fred connected with Earl Christman, who, I believe, put them in touch with someone in Reno who took care of their "hot stuff". Volney Davis and Mother Barker were in Reno when we arrived. While in this city Harry Hull, who was living with me, stole about \$250.00 of mine and some clothes and then disappeared. I anticipated that he would go to Kansas City as he seemed well acquainted there. In view of this Doc and I took a plane for Kansas City to find him. When we left Reno I believe Volney Davis gave Doc a message for his girl friend Edna. While making inquiries at various places in Kansas City in an effort to find Harry Hull we met Earl Doyle, who was operating a beer joint or drug store in Kansas City. I wish to state that I had previously met Earl Doyle in South Coffeyville, Kansas, at which time he was operating a Night Club with one Tom Hill in South Coffeyville. I believe Doc Barker knew Earl in Tulsa, Oklahoma many years back. Earl Doyle took us to Edna's apartment in Kansas City and it was at this time that I first met Doris, who was using the name of either Connor or O'Connor. She and Edna are sisters. Doris and I began keeping company and when I left Kansas City at this time I told her I would be back soon.

Doc and I returned to Reno, Nevada by train and shortly thereafter Volney, Mother Barker and Doc took a trip to California, and soon after that Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis drove to California. However, all of them returned to Reno about a week later.

We left Reno around the first part of January 1933 and went direct to St. Paul, Minnesota where Fred, Doc and I rented an apartment on Grand Avenue. Earl Christman and his wife Helen (Helen Ferguson) also came to St. Paul at this time and I believe they had an automobile accident on the way. They rented an apartment on Marshall Avenue near Cleveland Street. Volney Davis, Doc Barker and his mother left Reno two days after we did. On or about the third day while in St. Paul at this time I came home alone from the show one evening. Gladys Sawyer, the wife of Harry Sawyer, was sitting in her car in front of the building. She stopped me and asked where Fred and Alvin were and when I told her that I did not know she stated I better look them up as the police were contemplating on raiding our apartment in the morning. I went downtown immediately to look for them for the purpose of informing them of the contemplated raid but could not find anyone. When I returned Gladys was still there and she told me that Fred and Alvin had been there but had already gone; that they would meet me at the "joint", meaning Harry Sawyer's place, on Wabasha Street. When I got to Harry's place Fred and Alvin told me they had seen Volney, Doc and Mother and that they were on their

way to Chicago, Illinois. The three of us left for Chicago that night in Fred's Chrysler Sedan. Enroute we met Earl and Helen and Fred got out of his car and talked with them for a few minutes. We then drove direct to Louie Cernocky's place at Fox River Grove, Illinois, and when we arrived Volney, Doc and mother were already there. At this time I met Frank Nash and his wife Frances, both of whom were living at Louie's Place. Shortly thereafter Earl and Helen arrived. All of us stayed at Louie's Place that night and on the following day Fred, Doc, Alvin and the women went to look for an apartment.

A few days later Eddie and Bessie Green appeared at Louie's Place and I met them for the first time. They may have been acquainted with the other boys; however, I do not know. I lived at Louie's place for about a week when I went to look for an apartment in Maywood, Illinois, as at that time I was contemplating on bringing Doris up from Kansas City, Missouri to live with me. I found a furnished apartment on 5th Avenue about two blocks South of the Earl Hines Hospital, on Roosevelt Road.

On or about March 30, 1933 I drove Fred in my car to Kansas City, Missouri to meet the other boys, who had left for that city several days previous. At this time the Fairbury, Nebraska Bank was robbed, and the following is my knowledge of the same.

FAIRBURY, NEBRASKA BANK ROBBERY

This robbery occurred on April 3, 1933, and the following men participated: FRED BARKER; DOC BARKER; VOLNEY DAVIS; ALVIN KARPIS; EDDIE GREEN; EARL CHRISTMAN; FRANK NASH; JESS DOYLE.

At this time Fred Barker, Doc Barker and Earl Christman were living at the Home Apartments in Oak Park, Illinois with Mother Barker and Earl's wife, Helen. Volney Davis and I were living with Edna and Doris at my apartment in Maywood, Illinois. Frank Nash was living with his wife, Frances, at Louie's Place in Fox River Grove, Illinois. I believe Eddie Green was residing in Chicago and Alvin Karpis in Oak Park, Illinois.

The boys had gone to Kansas City two or three days before the robbery took place and rented a furnished apartment near 45th and Main Street in Kansas City. I believe Doc Barker and Volney Davis made the arrangements for this apartment. When Fred and I arrived in Kansas City we lived in this apartment until the day of the robbery. We drove to the bank in two

cars, Fred was driving a Chevrolet Sedan and I was driving a Buick. Doc Barker, Volney Davis, Alvin Karpis, Eddie Green, Earl Christman and Frank Nash entered the bank and I parked my car on the street nearby. I believe Fred was parked in back of me in another car. Shortly after the boys entered the bank Earl Christman came out to act as a look-out. A few minutes later the boys emerged from the bank and as they were getting into our waiting cars Earl was wounded. I drove my car with Alvin Karpis reading the get-away chart, to a point 15 miles away, where we switched automobiles. I believe Alvin Karpis then went with the other fellows and Doc and Volney returned to Kansas City with me. We proceeded direct to our apartment, abandoning the car a couple of squares from the building. That night Fred came to the apartment and told Doc and I to return to Chicago, stating he would take care of the car we had abandoned. Doc and I immediately took a train to St. Paul, Minnesota as Doc wanted to see Harry Sawyer. We remained in Harry's place only a few hours, after which a fellow named Tom, who works for Harry Sawyer, drove us to Louie's Place in Fox River Grove, Illinois. Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis and Frank Nash were already there when we arrived. It was at this time that Fred told me that Earl had been "hit". Fred also gave me my split at this time. I do not know where the money was divided. Volney had not shown up as yet and it is entirely possible that he remained in Kansas City to take care of Earl. On the next afternoon Fred and Doc left Oak Park, Illinois and I believe they went to Kansas City. Two or three days later Volney Davis returned alone and told me that he had been in Kansas City on business. About three or four days later Fred and Doc returned, and at this time Fred informed me that Earl had died.

When Fred and I arrived in Kansas City two or three days prior to the Fairbury bank robbery I immediately went to see Doris and found Volney there visiting with Edna. I asked Doris at this time if she cared to live with me and she consented, whereupon I gave her my automobile and told her and Edna to drive to the apartment I had rented in Maywood, Illinois.

When Doc and I returned from St. Paul the day after the Fairbury bank robbery we went direct to Louie's Place and found Doris and Edna there. That night Fred and I got into an argument because I wouldn't get drunk with him. He believed that Doris was keeping me from drinking and that I was preferring her to him. I drove home in Fred's car that night and on the following day he came to

my apartment for the keys. He did not say very much at this time. Fred apparently went out of town the next day because in the meantime Volney had returned from Kansas City and informed me that he had seen Fred and that Fred wanted to talk to me when he returned. In this connection I went to his apartment in Oak Park, Illinois for three or four days afterwards and each time his mother told me that Fred was out of town. However, at the end of three or four days he apparently returned as I saw him with Eddie Green coming from the Home Apartments. I told Fred that Volney had informed me that he (Fred) wanted to see me. He appeared to be very angry and said "Never mind, you and I are through". He would not furnish me further explanation concerning his attitude in this regard. A couple of days later, while we were at Louis's Place, Fred danced with Doris and told her what a sap I was for falling for a girl. Doris got mad and cussed him out. On the next day Alvin and Fred came to my apartment and at this time Fred accused me of talking against him to Doris. I denied this and he called me a "damn liar". He then left without saying anything further. This was the last time I saw Fred until he came to my apartment in Minneapolis, Minnesota about seven months later. Up to this time Fred had given me off and on about \$4000.00 or \$5000.00.

Doris and I continued to live in Maywood, Illinois until the latter part of June 1933. During this period Volney and Edna were together with us most of the time. Around the latter part of May 1933 Doris and I took a trip to Commerce, Oklahoma and returned to Maywood, Illinois with Mott and Preston. Mott is Doris' boy and Preston is the son of Edna. We brought them with us to see the World's Fair. On the day Doris and I moved from Maywood, Illinois we stopped to say goodbye to Volney and Edna and while there we met Vern Miller and his wife, Vi, who were visiting Volney. I believe Vi had her daughter with her. Concerning them, I wish to state that I had seen Vern and Vi on one or two occasions at Louis's Place a few weeks previous.

When we left Maywood, Illinois, we lived in Cardin and Commerce, Oklahoma for a few days with Doris' family and then went to Kansas City, Missouri and obtained an apartment at the Tattershall Apartment Hotel, the address of which I do not know. There is a large stone church across the street. We went to St. Paul, Minnesota in the late summer of 1933 and checked in at the St. Paul Hotel under the name of E. A. Connley. Shortly thereafter I met Eddie Green in a gambling joint near the St. Paul Hotel. I believe there was a barber shop in front of this place. Eddie asked me what I was doing and having nothing particular in mind he suggested that we go fishing at a place called Three Lakes, which is near Crosby, Minnesota. The four of us, that is - Eddie, Bessie, Doris and I, lived at this Lake for about 35 days and no one visited us while there.

"We left Three Lakes around September 1, 1933 and rented a cottage on a lake approximately 25 miles south of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Eddie Green had previously stayed at this resort and we moved there at his suggestion. I recall that on the day we left Three Lakes we stopped at a filling station and read about the payroll robbery in St. Paul. Eddie and I talked about it and Eddie remarked, "I wonder who in the Hell pulled that".

About a week after we moved to this lake Doris received word from her brother that her father had died and she went to his funeral, traveling to Kansas City by plane. While living at this lake Doris was receiving her mail in care of General Delivery, St. Paul, and Eddie and I made frequent trips to St. Paul to pick up her mail. On one occasion Eddie got drunk in Harry Sawyer's place and I believe he told Harry at that time where we were living. We did a lot of fishing on this lake and when it began to get cold, we moved to Minneapolis and obtained an apartment at the Whiteside Apartments on Girard Street. Eddie and Bessie obtained an apartment nearby on Fremont Street in the 3300 Block. I believe this was around October 1, 1933. Eddie and Bessie were in our company quite frequently at this time. One two or three occasions Eddie and I visited Harry Sawyer's place on Wabasha. I saw Tommy Carroll and Baby Face Nelson there. We also visited Eddie Green's apartment and on one or two occasions we met Homer VanMeter and Tommy Carroll there.

Shortly after Thanksgiving of 1933 Volney and Edna visited us at our apartment. They had had an automobile accident and as a result Edna received two fractured ribs. I took her to a doctor in Minneapolis for medical aid and she stayed with us for about two days. Volney did not stay at our place and I don't know where he was living at this time. Subsequently Fred Barker came to see me. I guess he got my address from Volney. Fred asked me on this occasion what I was doing with Eddie Green. I told him that we were just "palling" around together. He then said that he had heard that Eddie had beaten up his mother and when I told him it wasn't true because I had seen her shortly subsequent to the time Fred specified as to when Eddie was supposed to have done this he "went up in the air" and said that I was siding with Eddie and making a fool out of him. Later Volney told me that Fred had cussed me out to him as I was preferring Eddie Green to him.

Bill Weaver and his girl friend Myrtle also visited us on two or three occasions during this period. The only people Doris and I visited around this time were Eddie and Bessie Green, and on two occasions we went to Eddie's mother's home for dinner.

On or about January 15, 1934, two days before the Bremer kidnaping, Fred Barker came to my apartment along towards evening and warned me

"that I had better move if I knew what was good for me. He did not explain why he wanted me to move nor did I get a chance to ask him. Immediately after Fred left I went to Eddie Green's apartment and told him what Fred had said, further stating that I was leaving the following day. I told him that Doris and I were going to Oklahoma and invited him and Bessie to join us. I had previously talked to Eddie about the zinc mines in Oklahoma and he always expressed a desire to see them. In view of this I thought that this occasion would afford a good opportunity for me to show these mines to him. Bessie desired to take the trip and the four of us left the following morning in my car. We drove to Commerce, Oklahoma, arriving there that night. Eddie and Bessie stayed at Mott Stanley's place and Doris and I went to live with her mother at Cardin, Oklahoma. We stayed with Doris' family for about a week and while at this place we read in the newspapers about the Bremer kidnaping. Eddie and Bessie were still living at Mott's place in Commerce at this time. Naturally we discussed the kidnaping and Eddie was of the opinion that the Barker boys, et al, pulled that job as he knew they were in town, and, furthermore, did not believe that anyone else in St. Paul at that time would be capable of pulling a "snatch". I also believed that these boys kidnaped Bremer and that Freddie told me to leave so that I would not be in town when it happened. It might have been a kind act on his part.

From Oklahoma, Eddie, Bessie, Doris and I moved to Topeka, Kansas and obtained apartments in the Senate Apartment Hotel. Eddie and Bessie left Topeka about two or three weeks later and I believe they returned to St. Paul. Doris and I left Topeka the day after Eddie and Bessie departed and went to Commerce, Oklahoma, where we lived at Mott's place for about two months.

Around the latter part of May 1934, Doris received a long distance call at Mott's place from Edna. I think the call came from Aurora, Illinois. Edna stated she was going to be operated on and wanted Doris to come to Aurora. We drove there in my Buick Victoria Coupe and registered at the Riverside Hotel under the name of E. V. Connley. We lived at this hotel for about a week and then moved to an apartment which we rented from a man by the name of Burkell. During this period I saw Volney two or three times but he wasn't living in Aurora. On one of these occasions he gave Doris \$250.00 to give to me. At this time he owed me about \$800.00 which I had given him from time to time while in St. Paul, Minnesota and Reno, Nevada during the latter part of 1932 and early part of 1933.

Also I recall that on one occasion while in Aurora, Illinois, Fred Barker and his mother, accompanied by a heavy set man named Willie, were at Corey Beales' house and Doris and I went over to see them.

Mother stated that they just stopped to see how we were getting along and where we had been. Fred did not have very much to say. On another occasion I met a fellow by the name of Jimmy, who Volney brought with him to Aurora. Also while in this town I became acquainted with Corey Bales and Matt Kirsch through Edna. We spent considerable time drinking at the Fox Gardens at Aurora. We remained in Aurora for about a month, after which Doris and I returned to Commerce, Oklahoma. Shortly thereafter Mott Stanley, Doris' brother, received a letter from Volney in which there were enclosed two money orders for \$100.00 each. These money orders were issued in Mott's name but were intended for me. It was part of the money that Volney still owed me.

From Commerce, Oklahoma we moved to Salina, Kansas; Wichita, Kansas and Cardin, Oklahoma. I did a little gambling around this time and won about \$200.00. We moved to Kansas City in August 1934 and obtained an apartment on Campbell Street. From there we rented an apartment located at 4112 Locust Street under the name of E. A. Connley, where we lived three or four months. We subsequently rented an apartment at 23 Warner Plaza, Apartment 7, and here we used the names of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stacey, living there until Doris was arrested following the shooting of a Mrs. Helen Rush on February 5, 1935.

About three months ago Volney Davis and Edna Murray came to our apartment in Kansas City and we had visited with them off and on since that time.

I traded a 1933 Nash Sedan for a 1933 model Buick Victoria Coupe with the Stevens Motor Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota in October 1933, and I used this Buick until I sold it about three weeks ago to a Used Car Dealer on East 15th Street named Iases, or some such name. I then purchased a 1933 model black Chevrolet Coupe from the Sullivan Chevrolet Company in Kansas City, which is the car I was driving when I was arrested.

On Tuesday, February 5, 1935, Volney Davis came to my apartment and asked me to take him down to the United Motors Service Company to see whether his Pontiac Sedan was ready. He had previously placed it in this garage for repairs. He remained in the garage for about ten or fifteen minutes after which he requested that I drive him to Raytown, Missouri. He told me to wait for him and a few minutes later he returned and we went back to Kansas City, Missouri. I do not know what business he had at Raytown. When we reached Kansas City at this time he suggested that I drive him to a point on Troost Avenue near the car barns, stating that he had to see a fellow about something. When he left me I returned to my apartment at 23 Warner Plaza and found that Doris was not at home. I waited around for a

"couple of hours and then went to look for her but could not find her. The next morning at about 5:30 or 6:00 A.M. I read in the newspaper that Doris, under the name of Vinita Stacey, had been arrested for shooting a woman. I became very much worried and went to Volney's and Edna's apartment and showed them the story in the paper. They were surprised to hear about this and we engaged in a long discussion as to the motive Doris would have to shoot this woman. However, we could not come to any logical conclusion. I then returned to my apartment and packed my clothes, this being around 7:30 on the morning of February 6, 1935. I returned to Volney's apartment later that afternoon and remained there until 7:45 P.M. At this time Volney had not as yet shown up and Edna stated that he left around noon to get his car at the United Motors Service Company and that she had not seen him since that time. She was very much concerned about his failure to come home and suggested that I drive her to an apartment on Troost Avenue, stating that she wanted to see if Volney was there or had been there. I drove her to an apartment, which is near the car barns, and I believe the address is 4915 Troost Avenue. She went into the building alone and a few minutes later she returned and said that no one apparently was at home. However, as we drove away she looked back and observed a light in the apartment in question. She remarked that it was strange that there was a light in the apartment and that she had received no response when she knocked on the door. I looked to see what apartment she had reference to and observed that same is situated on the North end of the building, to the rear, on the second floor. She did not mention who lives in this apartment nor did she state whom she wanted to see concerning Volney. However, I am of the opinion that a man by the name of Leo, whom I had previously met through Volney, lives there as he is the only person, to my knowledge, that Volney has connected with in Kansas City.

Concerning this man Leo, I wish to state that I met him on one occasion while at Volney and Edna's apartment at 3213 Broadway. On this occasion Volney talked with Leo alone for about 25 minutes and when he left Volney casually remarked that Leo owned a 1935 Model Ford Coupe. This was the first and only time I met Leo and I do not know anything concerning his business and associations.

The last time I saw Volney Davis was about 10 o'clock on the morning of February 6, 1935, when he went to the garage to get his car. I did not take him to this garage nor did I see him get arrested.

I wish to state that Volney had told me at various times that Fred informed him that should I ever want to connect with him and the boys again I should let him know through Volney. However, Fred wanted me to give up Doris which I did not care to do.

"I absolutely do not know who kidnaped William Hamm in St. Paul in June 1933, nor did I ever hear any discussion or conversation concerning this kidnaping as I did not associate with anyone except Volney Davis subsequent to that period. However, I do know that most of the members of the mob were in Maywood and Oak Park, Illinois, at that time. I do not know Fred Goetz, Harry Campbell, Russell Gibson, Paula Harmon, Wynona Burdette or Dolores Delaney, but I believe that I have heard Campbell's name mentioned by the boys on a few occasions.

The only persons with whom I have associated during the past three months are Volney Davis and Johnny Rush, who is the husband of the woman whom Doris shot.

I have read the foregoing statement, which consists of twelve typewritten pages and swear that the same is true to the best of my knowledge.

/s/ Jess Doyle.

WITNESSES:

/s/ John L. Madala
John L. Madala, Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice

/s/ R. P. Shanahan
R. P. Shanahan, Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice.

In view of the investigations which have been conducted by other Agents of this office, both in connection with the apprehension of Volney Davis on February 6, 1935, and the taking into custody of Edna Murray, Jess Doyle, Harry C. Stanley and his wife on February 7, 1935, memoranda setting forth the full details of such investigations have been prepared by the various Agents engaged in this work and are being set out herein as follows:

The following memorandum has been submitted by Special Agent V. I. Parry concerning his activities in connection with this investigation at Kansas City, Missouri and vicinity.

Monday, February 4, 1935, acting under the instructions of Special Agent in Charge Nathan, I accompanied Special Agent W. F. Trainor to the Noel V. Wood Pontiac Agency, on McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri, where Agent Trainor was informed that Pontiac Sedan, Missouri license 43-218, was then at the United Motors Garage at about 2700 McGee Street. At the United Motors Garage Agent Trainor inspected the Pontiac Sedan and we then returned to the Kansas City Division Office.

On Tuesday, February 5, 1935, about 4:30 P.M. I was instructed to take a machine gun and proceed to the United Motors Garage and contact Agent Trainor and place myself under his orders. Agent Trainor informed me that a car, bearing two men, had just left the garage before his arrival and that this car was a Chevrolet Coupe bearing 1935 Missouri license 193-308, and that we were to go to Raytown, Missouri and try and locate it. At Raytown, Agent Trainor visited the Postmaster and contacted the Kansas City Office where he was informed that the parties who had registered said Chevrolet were living at 23 Warner Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri. We then proceeded to Warner Plaza in Kansas City, Missouri, where we parked our car about a block from number 23. Agent Trainor, on foot, ascertained that a Chevrolet Coupe had just left the front of 23 Warner Plaza as he walked by the apartment and we then cruised about for approximately 15 minutes trying to locate the car. Being unsuccessful we returned to Warner Plaza and found a Chevrolet parked almost in front of 23 Warner Plaza. We parked our car two cars in front of said Chevrolet and Agent Trainor went to a phone to contact Special Agent in Charge Nathan. This occurred about 7 P.M. and Agent Trainor had been gone about five minutes when a party entered the Chevrolet Coupe and drove down Warner Plaza towards Main Street. I waited until the Chevrolet had almost reached the corner and started trailing him. Upon reaching the corner of Main and Warner Plaza I picked up Agent Trainor and we proceeded to follow the Chevrolet for about 1½ miles over a zig zag route over dark streets. Agent Trainor then took the wheel and we proceeded about four blocks, always maintaining a distance of one block in the rear of the Chevrolet when we became snarled in a traffic jam and lost the Chevrolet. It was too dark to recognize the party driving this Chevrolet automobile. We then returned to Warner Plaza and Agent Trainor communicated with Special Agent in Charge Nathan and I remained on the corner of Warner Plaza and Main to contact Mr. Nathan when he appeared. Upon the arrival of Mr. Nathan he decided it was best to leave the situation as it was for the evening and we returned to the Kansas City Division Office.

Wednesday morning, February 6, 1935, in company with Special Agents Trainor, Dietz, Stakem and Shanahan I proceeded to the United Motors Garage where we took up various stations about the garage. At about 9:30 A. the Pontiac Sedan which was being overhauled was to be taken out to be washed and, dressed in a white overalls apron of the United Motors Service I drove

the Pontiac Sedan to the Personal Service Garage at 1809 McGee where, acting as an employee of the United Motors Garage, I had the car washed. At approximately 10:30 A.M. I returned the car to the United Motors Service. During this trip I was followed in a Government car by Agents Stakem and Shanahan.

At approximately 11:30 A.M. at the United Motors Garage, Volney Davis appeared to claim the Pontiac Sedan. He was immediately placed under arrest, searched and placed in a Government car with four Agents and driven to the Kansas City Division Office.

I then accompanied Special Agent in Charge Nathan and a group of Agents to 23 Warner Plaza where we were to raid Apartment 7. At this place I was stationed with a machine gun in the rear corridor of the apartment building where I stayed until I was told to go to Apartment 7, which was found to have been abandoned. With Agents Dietz and Shanahan I remained in the apartment until approximately 7 P.M., until relieved, when I returned to the Kansas City Office. At approximately midnight I returned to this apartment and left again at 1:30 A.M.

On Thursday morning, February 7, 1935, Special Agent in Charge Nathan informed Agents Dietz and myself that Jess Doyle had escaped after a shooting at Pittsburg, Kansas and had been reported seen near Liberal, Missouri. We were ordered to proceed in the direction of Liberal and maintain contact with the office. At Butler, Missouri we were informed by Special Agent in Charge Nathan that Jess Doyle was in custody at the County Jail at Girard, Kansas, and that we should proceed there immediately.

Shortly after arrival at the Girard, Kansas jail I left for Pittsburg, Kansas in company with Agents Clary and Bryce in order to maintain contact with an informant watching the house of Harry C. Stanley, where Jess Doyle had stayed the previous night. I returned to Girard at about 8 o'clock that evening and in company with Special Agents Paul Hanson and Frank Whelan, of the Oklahoma City Division Office, and Agent Dietz, of the Kansas City Office, we maintained a watch at the Girard Jail.

On Saturday afternoon, February 9, 1935, Agent Dietz and I obtained a written statement from Jess Doyle covering his activities from the time he was released from the Lansing State Penitentiary. The guard at the jail was maintained until about 10 o'clock Sunday morning when Jess Doyle was turned over to the United States Marshal for removal. During this period from Thursday until Sunday the car used by Jess Doyle was examined, as well as the baggage he had with him.

I returned, in company with Special Agent Dietz, to the Kansas City Office at approximately 2 P.M. Sunday afternoon, February 10, 1935.

The following memorandum has been submitted by Special Agent H. A. Dietz concerning his activities in connection with this investigation at Kansas City, Missouri and vicinity.

On February 5, 1935 at approximately 4 P.M., on the instance of Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, this Agent, accompanied by Special Agents W. F. Trainor, R. P. Shanahan and T. E. Stakem, immediately proceeded to the United Motors Company, 2501 McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri and there contacted Mr. Clark, in charge of the Service Department, who advised that a person who had been driving 1934 Pontiac Sedan, 1935 Missouri license plates 43-218, had come into the garage to inquire whether or not it was ready; that he had stayed for approximately ten minutes and walked out and got into a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe with 1935 Missouri license plates 193-380 and had left, stating he would return on February 6, 1935 between 10 and 12 o'clock in the morning in order to get his automobile. At this time Special Agents Trainor and Parry proceeded in a Division automobile towards Raytown, Missouri in order to see whether or not they could locate the automobile in which this person had left. Special Agents R. P. Shanahan and T. E. Stakem also left the United Motors Company, and this Agent remained, pending instructions from Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan. While at the United Motors Company this Agent displayed his photographs of Volney Davis to Mr. Clark under a hand magnifying glass and he stated at that time that "if this wasn't the person it was so much like him we would not blame him for having made a mistake".

At approximately 5:20 P.M. Special Agents Shanahan and Stakem returned in order to remain with this Agent until such time as the garage would close, it being ascertained that no one would be allowed to take an automobile from there until the opening hour of 7:30 in the morning. The above three Agents remained at the garage until it was completely closed, which was at 7:30 February 5, 1935.

At 7:30 A.M. February 6, 1935, this Agent, accompanied by Special Agents Trainor, Shanahan, Stakem and Parry proceeded to the United Motors Garage at the above mentioned address, Agents Shanahan and Stakem taking a position in the Stock Room, this Agent and Agent Trainor remaining in the Service Room, and Special Agent V. I. Parry, dressed in a white United Motors jacket, was acting as a service man. At approximately 8:30 A.M. Special Agent Parry took the 1934 Pontiac Sedan to a Service Station to be washed and was trailed there by Special Agents Shanahan and Stakem in order to avoid the possibility of having someone hijack the automobile from him. The automobile was returned at approximately 10:30 A.M. and the various Agents resumed their previous positions waiting for the person to come after his automobile.

At approximately 11:20 A.M. a person came to inquire for the automobile and was immediately recognized by Special Agent Trainor as being Volney Davis whereupon he was apprehended by the Various Agents at the establish-

ment and transported immediately to the Division Office in the Federal Reserve Bank Building and was there questioned by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, Special Agent W. E. Miller and several other Agents, all of his property having been taken from him. It is to be noted that at the time Volney Davis was apprehended this Agent, in frisking him, took from him a .32 caliber Colt automatic pistol with two extra clips, all loaded, and turned this automatic over to Special Agent Trainor.

After the apprehension of Volney Davis it was decided a raid should be made upon the apartment at 23 Warner Plaza, Apartment 7, in order to attempt to apprehend his partner, Jess Doyle. This Agent, accompanied by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, and Special Agents R. P. Shanahan, V. I. Parry and W. F. Trainor, proceeded to 23 Warner Plaza. Learning that the apartment had been abandoned this Agent and Special Agents Parry and Shanahan remained at the apartment, Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and Special Agent Trainor having apparently gone back to the Division Office. During the stay in the apartment all the articles which might have been of evidentiary value were checked over, each Agent wearing gloves in order to prevent fingerprints being placed thereon.

At approximately 5:30 that afternoon Special Agent Shanahan left in company with Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and this Agent and Special Agent Parry remained on duty until approximately 11 o'clock that evening, when Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan returned with Special Agents W. E. Miller, R. J. Brandt and M. Kramer. At this time this Agent, Special Agents Kramer and Miller were advised to remain until further instructions were given them on the possibility that Jess Doyle might return to his apartment, Special Agent in Charge Nathan and Special Agent Parry leaving at this time. A surveillance was maintained in the apartment for the rest of the night until approximately 10 A.M. on 2-7-35, when instructions were received to abandon the "spot" and return to the office. After returning to the office this Agent was instructed to accompany Special Agent V. I. Parry immediately down Missouri highway 71 to Pittsburg, Kansas. The two aforementioned Agents left at approximately 11 o'clock A.M., traveling down Highway 71, having been advised that there had been a gun battle in Pittsburg, Kansas and Jess Doyle, driving a 1934 Chevrolet Coupe, 1935 Missouri license 193-380, had escaped and might possibly be coming up that highway. It was further learned he had been seen near Liberal, Missouri.

At Butler, Missouri, this Agent telephoned Special Agent in Charge Nathan, who advised that Jess Doyle had been taken into custody. This Agent and Special Agent Parry then proceeded to Girard, Kansas and there contacted Sheriff Leon Delemaide and Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney, V. R. Clary and D. A. Bryce. This Agent remained at the County Jail, Girard, Kansas, and gathered various data.

A subsequent memorandum will be submitted by this Agent as to all information obtained while at Girard upon receipt of this information, which was left in charge of Special Agent O'Mahoney.

This memorandum is submitted subsequent to a previous memorandum submitted by this Agent on this same Subject and follows out further activities carried on at Girard, Kansas at the Sheriff's Office by Special Agent H. A. Dietz.

This Agent, together with Special Agent V. I. Parry, arrived at Girard, Kansas at approximately 2:30 P.M. on 2-7-35 and immediately contacted Sheriff Leon C. Delamaide and the other persons mentioned in the previous memorandum. It was learned there that Jess Doyle, after abandoning his car, stopped at the farm house of one V. Ashmore, Cherokee, Kansas, this farm house being situated 1/2 mile north and 2 1/2 miles west of Cherokee. From there Doyle stopped at the farm house of D. Autum on the same road and then went to the farm house of Earl Doran, where he phoned the Sheriff's office stating he wanted to surrender. Sheriff Leon C. Delamaide, Crawford County, Kansas, immediately proceeded alone to the Doran farm and arrived at approximately 10 A.M. and Doyle came to him saying "I guess you know me". Delamaide said "You look like an ex-convict". Doyle said "I am, I am Jess Doyle". Sheriff Delamaide then drove him to the County Jail where he was incarcerated.

The automobile used by Jess Doyle, a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe, Motor number 3369920 was towed into the garage of the C. E. Deill Motor Company at Girard, Kansas, by Mr. C. E. Deill. According to him the car was found nine miles south of Girard and three miles west and about 1/4 mile south, stuck in the mud. The car was towed into the above named garage on the evening of 2-7-35 at approximately 5:05. Mr. Deill had left the garage at 3 o'clock on the instructions of Leon C. Delamaide, Sheriff. He has in his possession original notes made by him of the type of car, motor number, serial number and license number. At the time the car was towed into the garage there were no keys in it but keys were subsequently handed to him by a farmer, whose name he did not know, who said they were picked up by the side of the road near where the car had been abandoned. These keys and notes of Mr. Deill were placed in an envelope in the presence of Agent and put in his safe to await further instructions from the Division as to the disposition to be made of them. Agent secured from Mr. Deill a storage receipt for thirty days on the instant car, which is in the Kansas City file.

In company with Special Agent Frank J. Whelan, of the Oklahoma City Office, and Special Agent V. I. Parry, of the Kansas City Office, this Agent checked the instant automobile and ascertained the following facts: The car is a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe, Motor Number 3369920, serial number (Eagle Car number) 5 CA 02-12542, the speedometer mileage was 16585, license 1935 Missouri 193-380, black body, mohair upholstery, five black wire wheels. The tires on the car were: right rear Goodyear all weather; left rear United States Royal; right front Goodyear; left front, Goodyear; and Spare tire Goodyear. There was a tire cover of the Sullivan Chevrolet Company 1607-15 McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri; two newspapers, the Kansas City Star of February 1, 1935, and a Tulsa World of February 1, 1935. There was one hot water heater, no name or number, and one Defroster, no name or number. A bullet hole was in the windshield, upper left hand side; on the right door window the glass was

broken; one bullet hole in the right rear top of the body; four bullet holes left rear top; two bullet holes left rear of the turtle; two bullet holes left rear side of body; one bullet hole in the left side of the top and four tears in the inside of the body of the car in the upholstery from bullets which came through the body. On the windshield was a Kansas City, Missouri city tag for 1935, number 52952. The paper upon which these were noted was signed by the above mentioned Agents and is being retained in the Kansas City file.

Recovered in the car were several suitcases and Gladstone bags containing various articles. These articles were removed by Special Agents Clary and Bryce and placed in the custody of Leon C. Delemaide, the Sheriff at Girard. This complete list is not being set out in this memorandum but is being placed in the file. However, it is to be noted that all of these articles recovered were checked by this Agent, Special Agents Paul Hanson and Frank J. Whelan, of the Oklahoma City Office. Each bag was marked and initialed by a tag on the inside, by each of these Agents with its respective number, these numbers having been placed on a notation sheet made out by these Agents. It is to be noted that certain items of evidentiary value were found and the place in which they were found is being herein set out.

In bag number 4, in the center pocket, was found one package of Travelers' Checks on the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. They were numbered as follows:

One \$100.00	Number 612104
One \$ 20.00	" E-123795
One \$ 20.00	" E-258593
One \$ 10.00	" G-336581
One \$ 10.00	" G-336596
One \$ 10.00	" G-336565
One \$ 10.00	" G-336564.

These Travelers' Checks were taken into possession by Special Agent Paul Hanson, of the Oklahoma City Office and are at this time in his possession, apparently upon the instructions of Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, of the Oklahoma City Office, whom Special Agent Hanson immediately contacted upon finding them.

There was also found in this bag one set of Kansas license plates for 1935 number 3-604 and one .45 automatic clip loaded. According to a statement made by Jess Doyle bag number 4 belonged to Volney Davis. There was also found in this bag a letter addressed to B. B. Larson, Box 155, Grandview, Missouri; a letter to G. R. Hanson, 3213 Broadway, apartment 12, Kansas City, Missouri, and a letter addressed to G. L. Harper, Box 12, Raytown, Missouri. There was also found a personal card of Milton Edwards, Gateway Loan & Sporting Goods Company, 1330-1332 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri, a card from the Il Trovatore Restaurant, 3437 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, and a receipt for apartment rent signed by a Mrs. Beetz, no further information appearing thereon. There was also one bundle of road maps for practically every State in the United States. No markings were found, however, upon these road maps upon examination by this Agent.

In bag number 2, which was apparently either the bag of Edna Murray or Doris O'Connor there was found a personal card of Dr. Nicolas Jamie, 2035 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri. It is to be noted here that at the apartment of Jess Doyle, 23 Warner Plaza, there was obtained for processing several bottles of medicine bought at a drug store under prescription from Dr. Nicolas Jamie. There was also found one ladies black leather purse containing \$2.10 in silver.

The articles in the other bags are not of sufficient importance to be herein set out but are noted specifically on the list which is being kept in the Kansas City file.

Later on there was recovered by Sheriff Delamaide, and others, numerous things in a blanket which had been thrown out of the car. These articles are also listed on the above mentioned list and were checked by the above named Special Agents. There was one 1935 Illinois license plate number 6190; two 1935 Kansas plates 19-798; one automobile coil and jumper equipment; one hack saw blade and other articles which are not of sufficient importance to mention here.

There is at present in the possession of Leon C. Delamaide, Sheriff of Crawford County, one .45 commercial model automatic pistol number C-1581419, this weapon having been taken from Doyle by Sheriff Delamaide. There is also in his possession one Remington automatic shotgun, new, model 11, number 377983. This gun was manufactured by the Remington Arms Company, Ilion, New York.

On 2-9-35 Special Agents Paul Hanson and Frank J. Whelan of the Oklahoma City Office, and V. I. Parry, of the Kansas City Office, and this Agent, questioned Jess Doyle and obtained from him a seven page signed statement in regard to his activities over the past few years. This statement is not being quoted here but is being kept in the Kansas City file for future reference. It is witnessed by this Agent and Special Agent V. I. Parry. Each page has been signed by Jess Doyle and those corrections made were made in his own handwriting and initialed by him.

By long distance telephone this Agent contacted Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, who advised him he was to remain there until such time as the United States Marshal arrived to take Jess Doyle into custody. Jess Doyle was taken into custody by the United States Marshal on 2-10-35 at approximately 10:30 A.M. Because of instructions of Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, the Agents of the Division present did not assist in transporting these persons to their destination. After having seen that Jess Doyle was in the custody of the United States Marshal this Agent and Special Agent V.I. Parry proceeded to the Division Office at Kansas City, Missouri.

On 2-11-35 this Agent called to see Forest C. Muir, Postmaster of the Raytown Post Office, Post Office Box number 10 at this Post Office having been rented by George L. Harper, an alias by which Volney Davis had gone, and

in it was found a letter from the Missouri Highway Commission with a Missouri automobile certificate for 1934 Pontiac, Motor number 1058715, license number 43-215. This letter had been mailed February 6, 1935 from 1423 Oak Street, Kansas City, Missouri. There was also a mimeographed postcard from the Washington Training Bureau, Inc., Washington Boulevard Building, Detroit, Michigan, which had been mailed February 9, 1935 at 3 A.M.

At the Grandview, Missouri Post Office, Miss Thelma Summers, clerk, was contacted, and stated Box number 155 had been rented up until December 31, 1934, by a person giving the name of B. B. Larson, but that she had never seen him, although Mr. B. P. Reid had and might possibly be able to identify him. Mr. Reid was out of town at this time and could not be interviewed by Agent.

It will be noted that in suit case number 4, which is apparently that of Volney Davis, was found a letter addressed to him as B. B. Larson, at Box 155, Grandview, Missouri.

Prior to the arrival at Pittsburg, Kansas, from McPherson, Kansas, of the writer and Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, on February 7, 1935, as heretofore indicated in this report, a surveillance of the home of Harry C. Stanley at 206 East Adams Street, Pittsburg, Kansas, had been conducted on February 6, 1935, by Special Agents D. A. Bryce and V. R. Clary in response to instructions received from Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan to the effect that Jess Doyle could not be located in his apartment at 23 Warner Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri, and might possibly be headed in the direction of Pittsburg, Kansas.

On the morning of February 7, 1935, [REDACTED] reliable informant, who has been cooperating fully with Bureau Agents in respect to this surveillance of Stanley's home, informed Special Agent Bryce at about 7 A.M. that there was a Chevrolet Coupe parked behind the residence of Harry C. Stanley, 206 East Adams. Agent Bryce, accompanied by Agent Clary, immediately drove by the Stanley home and observed the Chevrolet car bearing 1935 Missouri tags number 193-380. Cooperation was immediately received from Chief of Police Ross Armstrong of Pittsburg, Kansas. At about 8:05 A.M. Harry Stanley was seen to come from the back door of his home and get into his own Buick automobile. Shortly thereafter Jess Doyle left the house, entered the Chevrolet Coupe and drove it to where Harry Stanley was waiting, having parked his car. Both the Buick and Chevrolet proceeded to drive off at that time, Stanley's car in the lead and both automobiles being followed by the Bureau car, occupied by Agents Bryce and Clary and Chief of Police Armstrong. Stanley and Doyle, in their respective cars, turned West after proceeding two blocks South of Adams Street and went three blocks West, crossing Broadway, which is the main

street in Pittsburg, Kansas. At that point they again turned South on a dead end street. During this time the Chevrolet car, which was behind the Buick owned by Stanley, was being closely followed by the car containing Agents and Chief of Police Armstrong. Consequently when Doyle reached the end of the street and unable to proceed any further, he turned around and headed back in the direction of the car containing Agents. Special Agent V. R. Clary, who was driving the Bureau automobile, was successful in pulling the car sideways on the street, thus blocking the course of the Chevrolet containing Doyle. Stanley, who had been driving a Buick ahead of Doyle's car had proceeded on by the Bureau Hudson, all efforts being made by the Agents to concentrate the blocking of the escape of the Chevrolet. Seeing that the car was blocking the street Doyle swung his car up over the curb and along the inside of the sidewalk for about 15 yards, when he again turned back into the street, attempting to drive off in a Northerly direction. At the same time he was seen to reach to his right side, apparently for a gun. Special Agent D. A. Bryce, who had immediately jumped from the Bureau car at the time it blocked the street, called to him to stop, informing that he was an officer. When Doyle gave no indication of complying with this command Bryce fired 13 shots at Doyle through the back of the fleeing car, firing two blasts from a Thompson sub-machine gun. Several of the shots fired were seen to hit the car directly behind the driver and from the actions of the latter it was thought that he had been injured inasmuch as he was seen to slump in the seat. The Chevrolet car, however, continued to proceed Northward. Due to the time lost in turning the Bureau car around attempts to locate the Chevrolet Coupe were unsuccessful. The car was lost in the residential district of Pittsburg, Doyle having had about a four block lead before pursuit in the Bureau car could be commenced.

The Agents then immediately drove back to the Stanley home where Edna Murray and Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Stanley were taken into custody. At the time of her arrest Edna Murray had in her possession a .32 caliber Colt automatic pistol. All three persons were immediately placed in the Pittsburg, Kansas city jail.

At about 11:10 A.M. Sheriff Delamaide, of Crawford County, Kansas, called the Pittsburg, Kansas Police Department and stated that Jess Doyle had been taken into custody and was at that time incarcerated in the County Jail. Special Agents Clary and Bryce, accompanied by Tom Stowers, of the Pittsburg Police Department, proceeded to Girard, Kansas, immediately and there placed a Government hold order on Jess Doyle. It was learned at that time that Doyle had called the Sheriff's Office by telephone, stating he was wanted as a fugitive by the Government and wanted to be placed in jail; further stating that he was afraid he would be killed. He advised the Sheriff of his location, which, at that time, was about 13 1/2 miles Southwest of Girard, and also said that his car was stuck in the mud two miles from the point where he was then located. The Chevrolet car was shortly thereafter recovered and subsequently towed into Girard, Kansas to the garage of the C. E. Deill Motor Company, the work being done by Mr. C. E. Deill himself. According to him the car was found 9 miles

South of Girard, 3 miles West and 1/4 mile South, stuck in the mud. This car was towed into the above named garage the evening of 2-7-35 at approximately 5:05 P.M. It will be noted that these facts are also set out in the memorandum of investigation conducted by Special Agent H. A. Dietz, which is reported above.

In addition to the investigation covered by the memoranda already set out in this report, there are also being quoted the following memoranda submitted by Special Agents V. R. Clary, D. A. Bryce and Wm. B. O'Mahoney relative to the work engaged in by them, particularly in connection with the events transpiring both in Pittsburg and Girard, Kansas:

Kansas City, Mo.
February 11, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE:

I am submitting herewith memorandum covering my activities at Pittsburg, Kansas, on February 6th and 7th, 1935, in connection with the Bremer case:

On Wednesday, February 6, 1935, I was instructed to assist Special Agent D. A. Bryce in the surveillance of a house located at 206 East Adams St., Pittsburg, Kansas, the home of H. C. Stanley and his wife.

During the afternoon I had Division Car No. 1 at the service station being greased. At about 4:30 PM, Special Agent Bryce called me at the service station and requested that I return to the Besse Hotel immediately. This I did, and, upon arriving at the Besse Hotel, Agent Bryce informed me that he had received a telephone call from Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan informing him that Jess Doyle had left Kansas City in a black Chevrolet coupe, 1933 model, bearing 1935 Missouri License tags 193-380, with a Sullivan Chevrolet Co. tire cover. It was thought possible that he would go to Pittsburg, Kansas.

We immediately began driving around the streets in the vicinity of 206 East Adams St. and also Broadway Street which is highway 73-E from Kansas City. We did not see this car, but continued looking for it at intervals of about thirty minutes until quite late. I am not certain of the time that we quit and put the car in storage, but believe it was nearly midnight.

At 7:10 AM on Thursday February 7th, 1935, Special Agent Bryce called me and said, "That car has shown up. Get your clothes on". I dressed and went to his room. At about 7:20 AM I went to the garage and got the car. We drove south on Locust Street, which is the street which intersects Adams Street about 100 feet west of the house known as 206 East Adams St. On crossing Adams Street we observed a black Chevrolet coupe parked north and south in back of the house

at this address. We could not see the numbers on the license tags well enough to make them out, nor could we read the lettering on the tire cover. It was thought advisable to avoid attracting attention by stopping and trying to make out the numbers on the tags.

We, therefore, continued to the police station to pick up Chief of Police R. A. Armstrong. He had not arrived at the Police Station and we went to his home to pick him up. Special Agent Bryce had telephoned him from the police station while I remained in the car. We went to the home of Chief Armstrong, but he had left. A few minutes later we picked him up in front of the Besse Hotel.

Chief of Police R. A. Armstrong, Special Agent D. A. Bryce and this Agent, who was driving, proceeded in Division car No. 1, to a point on Washington Street (one block north of Adams Street) where car was parked with motor running, facing east about forty feet from Adams Street.

It was decided to wait for the Chevrolet Coupe to leave, then follow the car out of town, when it was planned to overtake this car and apprehend the occupant thereof without any publicity and also without warning the remaining occupants of the Stanley house.

About five minutes after eight o'clock, H. C. Stanley was observed leaving this house. He went to the garage and backed his Buick Sedan out into the alley. This agent did not see anyone go to the Chevrolet, but in a minute or so, the Chevrolet also started moving. This agent moved the Division car up to the intersection and Stanley's Buick was seen turning south on Locust St. followed closely by the Chevrolet Coupe.

The Division car was driven to Adams Street and west on Adams Street one block to Broadway where these two cars were seen turning south on Broadway. We followed them several blocks south on Broadway when both cars again turned west and then, after driving west a block or two, again turned south. When the division car made this last turn it was discovered that we were only about half a block behind them. To avoid being noticed, the Division car was slowed down to give the other two cars time to get farther ahead.

It was then observed that Stanley's Buick and the Chevrolet Coupe were making a "U-turn" around a flag-pole in the middle of this street about a block and half away and were coming back towards us. As we approached the intersection of Quincy and Walnut Streets, Chief Armstrong said that they had gotten into a blind street and that now was the time to get them.

In view of the fact that we were headed in the opposite direction and the Chevrolet Coupe would pass by us, it was considered that any further attempts to trail this car would prove ineffective. By this time, the Division car was on the north side of the intersection facing south, the Stanley Buick was on the south side of the intersection facing north. A car from the west crossed and a car from the east was approaching at a high rate of speed. It

"was necessary, therefore, for both Stanley's Buick and the Division car to wait, on opposite sides of the street, for these two cars to cross.

It was not deemed advisable to block the road in front of the Stanley Buick because this would have then given the occupany of the Chevrolet warning and have permitted him to have either attempted an escape by abandoning the car, or to get whatever firearms he might have had in readiness.

While the Division car was blocked on the north side of this intersection, the Chevrolet Coupe had come up close behind the Stanley Buick. This made it impossible to get the Division car in between these two cars. As soon as possible, the Division car was driven across the intersection, past the Stanley Buick, and in front of the Chevrolet Coupe. Special Agent D. A. Bryce, who was riding in the right-hand front seat jumped from the car taking with him a Thompson sub-machine gun loading with a clip of twenty.

The driver of the Chevrolet Coupe (who was later definitely identified as Jess Doyle) apparently had his car in second gear because he seemed to have a great deal of power. As the Division car approached, he suddenly jerked his car over the curb and pulled around the Division car. As Doyle's car passed this Agent, I saw Doyle reach down onto the seat of his car with his right hand. Although I did not see Doyle with any firearms, it is my belief that at that time he was reaching for a pistol which was probably on the seat beside him. At this point, it is noted that Mrs. Stanley informed this Agent later in the day that Doyle had two automatic pistols when he left her home that morning.

As Special Agent Bryce jumped from the Division car he called to Doyle to stop. When it was seen that Doyle did not intend to stop and was about to effect his escape, Agent Bryce opened fire with the Thompson sub-machine gun from a point just east of the front left fender of the Division car. A number of the bullets were seen to enter the back of the Chevrolet. Chief of Police Armstrong, who was riding in the back of the Division car fired five shots with an automatic rifle. In the opinion of the writer, none of the shots fired by Chief Armstrong took effect.

As soon as it was seen that even after the firing Doyle was not going to stop, this agent began turning the Division car around. The car was at such an angle in this narrow street that it was necessary to back up twice to get turned around. Doyle's Chevrolet was then observed driving rapidly north on Walnut Street. Walnut Street jogs at a point about four blocks north of the point of firing. By the time we had arrived at the jog in Walnut Street it was impossible to determine which direction the Doyle Chevrolet had gone.

Anticipating that Doyle had possibly decided to make an attempt to return to

"Kansas City, the Division car was driven several miles north on highway 73-E. After satisfying ourselves that he had not gone in this direction, we returned to 206 East Adams St., Pittsburg, Kansas. Special Agent Bryce and Chief Armstrong went to the front door and this Agent went to the back door. No one attempted to leave the back door, and when Special Agent Bryce called to me, I went to the front door and went in. There were two women and one man inside, in addition to Special Agent Bryce and Chief Armstrong. Someone said that one of the women was Edna Murray.

After we had searched the three persons found in this house, I took Edna Murray to the Division car and Chief Armstrong and Special Agent Bryce brought Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stanley out to the car. As we were ready to leave this place, Tom Stowers, Desk Sergeant, Pittsburg Police Department, drove up. Edna Murray and Mrs. H. C. Stanley were transferred to his car. The Division car then followed Stowers' car to the Pittsburg Police Station where Edna Murray and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stanley were placed in the Pittsburg City Jail.

Immediately upon arriving at the Police Station Special Agent Bryce called Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan at Kansas City, Mo., and told him of the arrests and the encounter with Doyle. In the meantime, at the request of Special Agent Bryce, Tom Stowers called police officers and sheriffs' offices in the vicinity of Pittsburg, Kansas, giving them a description of the Doyle Chevrolet and requesting them to be on the lookout for it. This was done quite thoroly and we were assured that all the principal highways were being watched. It is noted that on this date it was raining quite hard which rendered travel on unimproved roads practically impossible.

After questioning the Stanleys for some time in an attempt to ascertain where Doyle was going when he left their place, Special Agent Bryce, Tom Stowers and the writer made a search of the passable roads and highways in the vicinity of Pittsburg in an effort to locate some trace of Doyle's car, but were unsuccessful.

We then returned to the Pittsburg Police Station and were questioning Edna Murray when word was received from Sheriff Delamaide at Girard, Kansas, that Jess Doyle had voluntarily surrendered himself to Sheriff Delamaide. Special Agent Bryce, Tom Stowers and the writer then proceeded in Division car to Girard, Kansas, where Jess Doyle was found in the Sheriff's office."

Respectfully submitted,

V. R. CLARY, Special Agent.

Fort Scott, Kansas
February 11, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE S.A.C.

After receiving your information by telephone on the night of February 6, to the effect that JESS DOYLE, had left Kansas City, Missouri, driving a Chevrolet Coupe bearing 1935 Mo. Tags 193-380, and that it was possible that he was headed for Pittsburg, Kansas, Agent V. R. Clary and the writer checked all streets and garages in Pittsburg, but failed to locate the above described car.

On the morning of February 7, 1935, Mr. J. D. Miller called the writer at 7:00 a.m. stating that there was a Chevrolet Coupe parked behind the residence of H. C. Stanley, 206 E. Adams Street, Pittsburg, Kansas. Agent Clary and writer immediately drove by the Stanley home and noticed the Chevrolet, bearing tags numbered 193-380. The car was still parked behind the house as previously described by Mr. Miller. Agents immediately called Chief of Police, Ross Armstrong, Pittsburg, and Sergeant Thomas Stowers, also Pittsburg Police. They were told to meet Agents in the vicinity of the Stanley home. After the arrival of Chief Armstrong, and before the arrival of Thomas Stowers, at about 8:05 A.M., H. C. Stanley came from the back door of his home and got into his own personal automobile, a Buick, and backed out to the street, where he stopped as if waiting for someone. Jess Doyle then, after having come from the Stanley home, entered the Chevrolet Coupe and drove it to where H. C. Stanley was parked waiting. Stanley then drove two blocks south of Adams Street, where he turned west with Jess Doyle following him. Agents Clary and the writer, together with Chief Armstrong, followed the two above mentioned automobiles in a Division owned automobile, that Agents were driving.

Stanley and Doyle in their respective cars turned West after proceeding two blocks south of Adams Street and went three blocks west, crossing Broadway, the first intersection crossed. After driving west three blocks they again turned south and drove in that direction on a street that had a dead end. Apparently neither Stanley nor Doyle realized that the street dead ended until reaching the end. They made the turn at the end of the street and started back facing us. Stanley was leading Doyle by about ten or fifteen yards. There was only one course open for Agents and the Chief to take Doyle, which was to block the street with the Division automobile. Agent Clary drove past Stanley and blocked the street with the Division automobile. The writer immediately stepped out of the car, covered Doyle with the machine gun calling "We're coppers, Jess, put your hands up". Doyle then reached in the seat by his side with his right hand, picking up a pistol and with his left hand wheeled his car over the right curb, ran along inside the sidewalk for a distance of about 15 yards turned back into the street and started north.

The writer fired thirteen shots at Doyle through the back of his fleeing car, firing two bursts from the machine gun. Several of the shots fired

were seen to hit the car directly behind the driver and Doyle was seen to slump in the seat but continued to drive north. Chief Armstrong was also firing at the car with a high powered rifle, striking the car one time on the right side, the bullet coming out through the right glass frame. Chief Armstrong was firing from the Division automobile.

The writer then jumped back into the Division car, Agent Clary turned the car around and started in pursuit of Doyle. We failed to locate Doyle after the affray. The car was lost in the residential district of Pittsburg, Doyle having a four block lead before the Division car could be turned around.

When it was seen that Doyle had escaped, we immediately drove to the Stanley home, 206 E. Adams Street, Agent Clary went to the back of the house, Chief Armstrong watched the front, the writer went in the house through the front door, ordering everyone to put up their hands. There were three people in the house, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley and Edna Murray. Edna Murray had a .32 cal. Colt automatic pistol when the writer entered the house, followed by Chief Armstrong. She threw the pistol on the divan. All three people were then placed under arrest and lodged in the Pittsburg city jail.

At writer's request Sergeant Tom Stowers called all outlying cities in the vicinity of Pittsburg, giving the tag number and description of the car driven by Doyle as well as description of Doyle, requesting that officers so notified block all highways within a radius of fifty miles.

At about 11:10 A.M. Sheriff Delamade of Crawford County, Kansas, called the Pittsburg Police Department stating that he had Jess Doyle in custody at the County Jail. Agent Clary, Thomas Stowers and the writer immediately proceeded to Girard, Kansas and placed a Government hold order on Jess Doyle.

Upon interview with Doyle immediately upon reaching the jail, Doyle stated to Agents that he had called the Sheriff by telephone, telling him that he was wanted as a fugitive by the Government and that he wanted to get in jail for fear of his life. The Sheriff then stated to Agent that Doyle had called him out of bed by telephone, stating that he was a fugitive and had had a shooting scrape in Pittsburg and wanted to get in jail before he got killed, giving the Sheriff his location at the time, which was 13¹/₂ miles southwest of Girard, Kansas.

Doyle then stated that his car was stuck in the mud two miles from where the Sheriff had picked him up. The Sheriff then accompanied Agents and Thomas

"Stowers to the Chevrolet car driven by Doyle. Inside the coupe directly behind and above the seat was found a gun case containing 1 Remington automatic rifle, .401 caliber, 1 pump 12 gauge sawed off shotgun; 1 Remington sawed off automatic shotgun and 1 regular Remington 12 gauge automatic shotgun. All these guns were put into the Division automobile together with four suit cases also found in the back end of the coupe. All this property was taken to the County Jail at Girard, where the Sheriff picked up the new Remington 12 gauge automatic shotgun stating that he was going to keep it as a souvenir. This gun is still in the possession of the Sheriff who refuses to surrender same to Agents.

Subsequent search made in the vicinity of the neighborhood where Doyle abandoned his car was made by county officers who accompanied the wrecker to Doyle's car, which resulted in the finding of a brief case containing several sets of license tags and a Colt .45 cal. automatic pistol. The Sheriff took this pistol also and took it to his living quarters in the jail. He has also refused to turn this pistol over to Agents. In fact, requested that all guns found in Doyle's car be left in his custody for his disposition.

After the Chevrolet Coupe had been found it was evident that the gun case previously described had stopped four of the shots from the machine gun. The car when found and examined was seen to have eight machine gun bullet holes on the left side of the back directly behind the steering wheel, and one rifle bullet hole on the right side, that bullet having passed through the body of the car.

Respectfully submitted:

D. A. BRYCE,
SPECIAL AGENT

The following memorandum has been submitted by Special Agent Wm. B. O'Mahoney concerning his activities in connection with this investigation.

The writer received a telephone call on the morning of 8-7-35 at 10:15 A.M. while at Neodesha, Kansas. Agent was advised by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan that Jess Doyle and Edna Murray had come into Pittsburg at the residence of H. C. Stanley, 206 East Adams Street, and that Jess Doyle had been fired upon by Agents Bryce and Clary. The writer was instructed to immediately proceed to Pittsburg to assist in locating Doyle.

This Agent arrived at Pittsburg, Kansas at 11:30 A.M. where Ross Armstrong, Chief of Police, was contacted. Armstrong advised that Edna Murray and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stanley were then locked up in the Pittsburg City Jail. He further stated that Agents D. A. Bryce and V. R. Clary, and Tom Stowers, Sergeant of Police, Pittsburg, Kansas, had proceeded to Girard, Kansas, after having received word from Sheriff Delamaide, of Crawford County, to the effect that Jess Doyle had surrendered to him and that he, the Sheriff, had Doyle in custody at the Crawford County Jail.

Agent immediately proceeded to Girard and upon making inquiry at the Sheriff's Office, located in the Crawford County Jail, was advised that Sheriff Delamaide, together with Agents Bryce and Clary, and Sergeant Tom Stowers, had left to search for the Chevrolet Coupe abandoned by Jess Doyle at a point in the vicinity of Cherokee, Kansas. At approximately 2:30 P.M. the writer joined Agents Bryce and Clary, who were returning to Girard after having located Doyle's car. All Agents then proceeded to the Girard County Jail where Agent Bryce stated that he had searched Jess Doyle upon the latter's arrest and had taken from him the following property, which he turned over to the writer:

1 man's Hamilton Watch, White Gold, open face, 17 Jewel movement, case number 0238615, works number 3322156;

1 watch chain;
1 pocket knife; (on chain)
1 Solitaire diamond ring, approximately 1.70 carats, apparently platinum setting.
1 diamond stickpin set with two small diamonds;
1 collar clip;
1 tie clasp;
1 leather bill fold containing the following currency:
One \$100.00 Federal Reserve Note, #C-00536365-A issued by the Federal Reserve Bank at Chicago.

Eleven \$10.00 bills, one issued by First National Bank, Coffeyville, Kansas #E-001944-A, series of 1929; one from National Bank of Topeka, Kansas, #A-014022 12740, 1929 series; One Federal Reserve

Note issued in St. Louis, Missouri, H-09801485-A,
Series 1928 B; One Federal Reserve note issued in
Kansas City Number J-08909730-A, 1928 B series;
Federal Reserve note issued at Kansas City, J-03220591-
A, 1928 Series; Federal Reserve note issued in Chicago,
Illinois, G-22360947-A, 1928 B Series; Federal Reserve
note issued in Kansas City, Missouri, J-06316993-A,
1928 B Series; Federal Reserve note issued in Kansas
City, Missouri, J-06804209-A, 1928 B series; Federal
Reserve note issued Kansas City, Missouri J-09278840-A,
Series of 1928 B; Federal Reserve note issued at Kansas
City J-06802623-A, 1928 B Series; Federal Reserve note
issued Kansas City, J-05907802-A, 1928 B Series.

Seventeen \$5.00 bills consisting of silver certificates,
as follows:

Series of 1934, serial #A-00798131-A;
Series of 1934, serial #A-00774590-A;
Silver certificate issued by the Chandler National
Bank, Lyons, Kansas, Serial #A-002923 and 14048,
series of 1929;
Silver certificate issued by the American National
Bank, Denver, Colorado, #A-051505 and 12517, Series
of 1929;
Silver certificate issued by the First National Bank
of Wichita, Kansas, serial #A-042592-A, Series of
1929;
Federal Reserve Notes, series of 1928 B, issued at
Kansas City, Missouri, serial #J-08465300-A;
Series of 1928 A issued at Kansas City, Serial
#J-07404920-A;
Series of 1928 B issued at Kansas City, serial
#J-08766837-A;
United States Notes, series of 1928, serial number
C-23015453-A;
Series of 1928 A, serial number C-71153388-A;
Series of 1928 A, Serial number C-58286201-A;
Series of 1928 A, Serial number C-52781927-A;
Series of 1928 A, serial #C-77563187-A;
Series of 1928 A, serial #C-83814196-A;
Series of 1928 A, Serial #C-50219974-A;
Series of 1928 A, Serial #C-75810554-A;
Series of 1928 A, serial #C-63001645-A.

One \$1.00 bill, silver certificate, Series of 1928 B,
Serial #F-65579379-B.

In addition to the above listed property found in the possession of Jess Doyle,
Agent Bryce also turned over to the writer at the Crawford County Jail \$200.00

in currency, which had been taken from Edna Murray at the time of her arrest in Pittsburg by Special Agent D. A. Bryce and Sergeant Tom Stowers, of the Pittsburg, Kansas Police Department. The \$200.00 in currency consisted of two \$100.00 bills described as follows:

Federal Reserve note issued at Chicago, Series of 1928, Serial #G-01107076-A;
National Bank note issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Serial #G-00002968-A.

All of this property was placed in a sealed envelope and was delivered by the writer to Special Agent V. R. Clary, who was returning to Pittsburg, Kansas. Agent Clary was instructed to place the envelope in the safe of the Besse Hotel, Pittsburg, Kansas.

Agents Bryce and Clary, after returning from the Chevrolet, brought with them four (4) traveling bags which were found in the car and the following listed firearms:

1 sawed off Winchester Model 97, pump, 12 gauge shotgun, number 799868-E.
1 Winchester automatic rifle, .401 caliber, serial number 12304.
1 Remington automatic shotgun, model 11, serial number 277988.
1 Remington automatic, sawed off shotgun, model 11, serial number 367197.

The four traveling bags, together with the guns listed above, were placed in a strong room at the Crawford County Jail.

Arrangements were then made with C. E. Deill to have the Chevrolet belonging to Jess Doyle towed into Girard and placed in storage. After these arrangements had been made Agents Bryce, Clary, Parry and Sgt. Tom Stowers returned to Pittsburg, Kansas. At this time Agents took with them all of the guns enumerated above with the exception of the Remington automatic shotgun, serial number 277988, which had been taken by Sheriff Delamaide.

It is noted here that Special Agent Parry's name has been mentioned above. Special Agents Parry and Dietz arrived from Kansas City shortly after Agents Bryce and Clary had returned from locating the car. About this time also Special Agents Paul Hanson and Frank Whelan, of the Oklahoma City Office arrived at the Crawford County Jail, having come to Girard from Coffeyville. As per instructions from the Special Agent in Charge of the Kansas City Office, Agents were divided in order that a constant watch might be maintained over the prisoners in Girard and Pittsburg, Kansas.

Mr. Deill, upon going for Jess Doyle's automobile, was accompanied by H. R. Stevens and August Dorsey, Deputy Sheriffs, Crawford County. Stevens and Dorsey, while Deill was towing Doyle's car which had been stuck in the mud, searched the vicinity of the place where the car had been abandoned and discovered several scraps of paper and a brief case. The scraps of paper were placed in an envelope and turned over to the writer when Dorsey returned to the County Jail. Upon examination of the brief case it was found to contain several sets of license plates and road maps. It also contained a new .45 caliber Colt automatic pistol, serial number C-1591419. This pistol was brought into the Sheriff's Office by Deputy Dorsey and was turned over to Sheriff Delamaide, who still has the gun in his possession. The contents of the brief case will be described in detail later.

In addition to property mentioned previously in this memorandum, H. R. Stevens and August Dorsey removed several pieces of wearing apparel, consisting of dresses, shoes, etcetera, from the rear of the Chevrolet. These clothes had apparently been thrown in loose. There was also found a 27-C Philco radio. All of this property was placed in the room at the County Jail mentioned previously.

The torn scraps of paper that were turned over to the writer and which were found by H. R. Stevens were pasted together and it was found that they were parts of the following documents:

Certificate of Title for Motor Vehicle issued by the State of Missouri, title number 4221225, issued to J. C. Stacey, 23 Warner Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri, under date of January 26, 1935 for a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe, motor number 3369920;

Automobile Driver's license, issued at Kansas City, Missouri, dated January 23, 1935, number 152169, issued to J. C. Stacey, 23 Warner Plaza, carrying a description of the licensee as "color of eyes - blue; hair - brown; sex - male; height - 5'9"; signed by J. C. Stacey.

A Motor vehicle license receipt dated January 23, 1935, for Chevrolet Coupe, Motor Number 3369920, indicating that license fee of \$5.00 had been received of J. C. Stacey, 23 Warner Plaza, receipt number 29287, city license tag number 52952.

A receipted repair bill from Dale Fitzgerald Chevrolet, Inc., 3822 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri, #2307, indicating that a 1933 Coupe, bearing license number 193-380, having mileage of 16597 miles, property of J. C. Stacey, 23 Warner Plaza, had been worked on, for which service Stacey paid 55¢.

A receipt from the Sullivan Chevrolet Company, number 1750A indicating that J. C. Stacey had paid \$350.00 to the Sullivan Chevrolet Company on the date of January 23, 1935. The receipt is signed by F. Clark.

The baggage and personal effects recovered from the automobile belonging to Jess Doyle were examined in detail by Special Agent Dietz, and a detailed invoice was made at that time. This invoice is being kept in the Kansas City file.

All printing matter and receipts, together with maps and license tags, were taken from the baggage and are described as follows:

License tags found in Bag Number 4, marked for identification by Special Agent Dietz; Two sets of 1935 Kansas registration plates numbers 3-604 and 19-798. One single Illinois 1935 registration plate number 6190.

Highway map of Iowa printed by the Midwest Map Company, Aurora, Missouri. This is the type of map found in hotels throughout the Midwest, and it is the recollection of the writer that the hotel issuing said map is indicated by a printed space on the inside. This Iowa map, found in Bag Number 4, bears the printed notation "Hotel Johnson, Red Oak, Iowa". There was also found a Texas Highway Map issued by the Gulf Refining Company. Upon examination of this map it was found that the following cities had been indicated with either a cross or circular mark, in ink: Denton, Texas; Fort Worth, Texas; Waco, Texas; Austin, Texas; Johnson City and United States Route Number 77 from Ardmore to Oklahoma City had been indicated with a cross mark.

Additional maps found, upon being examined, fail to show any indications of having been marked. These maps are: Conoco map of Utah; Shell map of Illinois; Mobilgas map of Missouri; Standard Oil map of Minnesota; Standard Oil map of North Dakota; Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation map of Arkansas; Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation map of Missouri; Shell map of Metropolitan Chicago and Century of Progress; Shell map of Wisconsin; Conoco map of California and Nevada; Conoco map of Wyoming; Conoco map of Colorado.

There was also found in bag number 4, seven pieces of mail addressed to Mr. G. R. Hansen, 3213 Broadway, Apartment 12, Kansas City, Missouri. These seven pieces of mail had been sent to G. R. Hansen from the Mills Novelty Company, 4100 Fullerton Avenue, Chicago. On the back of one of the larger envelopes bearing the return address of the Mills Novelty Company some person had evidently been practicing writing the signature of Geo. L. Harper, as it appears to be written about twenty times. There were also found several pieces of mail addressed to B. B. Larsen, Box 155, Grandview, Missouri. This mail consists of a circular catalog from Strout Realty Agency, 255, 4th Avenue, New York, New York; circular information from the Union Pacific System concern-

ing farming information in Oregon and Washington. There was also a circular describing offerings of real estate dealers in Washington and Oregon; a letter from the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company quoting prices on railroad fare from Kansas City to San Francisco, sent to B. B. Larsen by R. E. Cuttall, Passenger Agent, Kansas City, Missouri; an additional letter from the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad from Chicago, Illinois forwarding a general outline of agricultural conditions and opportunities for establishing homes on small tracts in California. Also a folder from the Evans Realty Company, Fremont, Michigan concerning "Safest Investments in Farms". From a letter addressed to B. B. Larsen, which is a known alias for Volney Davis, sent by R. A. Smith, Supervisor of Agriculture, of the Union Pacific System, from Omaha, Nebraska, on the date of November 6, 1934, it is apparent that Davis was seeking information for some purpose concerning small farms in the States of Oregon, Washington and California. The body of the letter is quoted as follows:

"Your letter of November 5, 1934.

Am sending to you today, under separate cover, copy of our folders on the States of Oregon and Washington, but am unable to send you a folder on California. Am just getting in shape to gather lists of farms for sale in that State but it probably will be too late for you.

However, I have, also, sent to you, under separate cover, lists of farms for sale in the States of Oregon and Washington and feel sure that, among them, you will find something that will appeal to you.

If you should not find what you want, let me know just what you think will suit your requirements and I will "go to bat" for you, promptly."

The following circular mail advertisements, etc. were found in Bag Number 4, one of the bags in Jess Doyle's car:

- A Bluebird school series notebook.
- A personal Christmas greeting card, bearing no name, bearing the printed greeting "To my Wife".
- A circular letter from the Staley Sales Corp., Decatur, Ill. addressed to "Householder, Letter Carrier Route, Kansas City, Missouri.
- Another advertisement addressed "For the mother".
- Manor Baking Company advertisement for the Holidays.
- A circular letter from Alexander W. Graham, Postmaster, Kansas City, Missouri, regarding theft of mail from apartment house receptacles.
- Advertisement for Quick Meal Ranges.

There was also recovered from Bag Number 4 the following receipts, letters, etcetera:

A receipt on printed form of United Motors Service, Inc., Kansas City, Number R-124448, dated 1-10-35, indicating that George Harper of Raytown, Missouri, the owner of Pontiac 1934 Sedan, registration 585-264, had this car serviced and a charge of 70¢ was made. The form is marked "Paid" as of January 10, 1935.

Cash sale receipt from the Community Motors, Inc., 235 to 249 East 33rd Street, Chicago, Illinois, dated 10-29-34, receipt number 38671, and indicates that a cap costing \$1.79 was purchased on that date.

A service card from the White Eagle Oil Corporation, dated 11-22-34, indicating that a Pontiac had been oiled and greased on that date. This service card number is 34508 B.

A receipt from the Muskogee Super-Service, 9th and West Okmulgee, Muskogee, Oklahoma. The sheet indicates that G. R. Hansen had a car bearing registration 585-264 washed and lubricated. The service sheet is undated but the speedometer reading is indicated as being 3723 miles. On the reverse side of this service sheet notations in pencil appear, apparently the names of two doctors with their telephone numbers - Dr. Martinez, Telephone Westport 9270, and Dr. Shelton, Telephone Victor 2552.

An envelope bearing the return address of Dwight H. Brown, Secretary of State, Jefferson City, Missouri, which bears the postmark "Jefferson City, Nov. 14-5:30 P.M. 1934", in which the following were found: A new car 515 mile inspection and adjustment ticket dated 10-13-34 for owner - G. R. Hansen, address Belton, Mo. for Pontiac, Motor #1058715, serial number 903757-P8, mileage at the time of inspection and adjustment 710. This inspection was evidently made at the garage owned by Max Duitsch as an additional receipt on form 7113 indicates that on October 13, 1934, G. R. Hansen of Belton, Missouri paid \$1.50 for a 500 mile checkup, the mileage indicated on this receipt is also 710. The address of Max Duitsch is corner 5th and Burnett, Ames, Iowa; two repair order blanks on forms used by Noel V. Wood, Inc., Pontiac Sales & Service, 24th and McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri. These repair orders are number 889 and 1216 and are dated 11-3-34 and 11-12-34, respectively. Both repair orders were made out to Grace Hansen, Belton, Missouri for Pontiac Sedan, bearing Missouri registration 585-264. In the same envelope there was also found a letter written to Mr. G. R. Hansen, Belton, Missouri, by W. W. Owsley, Service Manager, Max Duitsch Auto Exchange, 5th and Burnett, Ames, Iowa. The letter was dated October 13, 1934. The letter

in substance states that at the time Hansen's car was serviced they failed to charge him for the oil used in making the change and it requests that Hansen send them a check. Folded in this letter is a money order receipt dated 10-26-34 at Boonville, Missouri, made out in the amount of \$3.50, which is the amount indicated by Mr. W. W. Owsley that Hansen owed for the oil change. This money order receipt bears the number 295652.

There was also found a cleaning receipt dated January 9, 1935 from the Summit Cleaners, Kansas City, Missouri, number C-21172, and is made out to "George Howard" and indicates that two articles of clothing were cleaned. The articles were to be called for by the party leaving them, no address is mentioned on the receipt.

There was also found a receipt issued by the Collector's Office at Belton, Missouri on November 26, 1934 to Grace R. Hansen, indicating that \$1.00 had been paid for one city auto license, number 164, the number of the receipt being 953.

Also found was an old identification card certifying that Grace R. Hansen, Box 102, Belton, Missouri, took delivery on a 4 door Sedan from Noel V. Wood, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri, on 10-11-34. On the reverse side of the card the following notations appear: "Frame number 903757; Engine number 1058715; Ignition key number 5424; Tire key number 374; Dealer's firm name Noel V. Wood, Inc., signed by H. Taylor".

A Missouri automobile certificate certifying that the party named has duly registered for the year ending December 31, 1934 the automobile described as Pontiac, Motor #1058715, registration number 585-264, in the name of Grace R. Hansen, Box 102, Belton, Missouri, St. Louis County.

A receipt for rental of Post Office Box Number 102 for the quarter ending December 31, 1934 at Belton, Missouri, receipt being dated September 1, 1934.

An invoice, number 1035, from Noel V. Wood, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri, dated 10-11-34, indicating that Grace R. Hansen, Belton, Missouri, Box number 102, purchased, through salesman Lohmeyer, Pontiac four door Sedan, serial number 903758, motor number 1058715. A charge of \$3.75 for State license is indicated, making the amount of the total sale \$890.65, cash settlement on delivery \$690.65, previous deposit \$200.00.

Also found was a little leather note book, measuring about 3" x 2". In this note book appear the following notations:

"Mrs. Heidt, 6000 West 5th Avenue"; another notation of "Mills Novelty, East 4100 Fullerton Ave"; also a notation "722 South 3rd"; the name of "Mary Boice" (written in ink); a pencil notation "1046 N. Waller-2" and "E.L.-3297", presumably a telephone number "Man. 6136". On another page appears the notation "812 North Delrose". It would appear that this is a notebook belonging to Volney Davis. This is assumed in that there appears the name of the Mills Novelty Company, from whom, as indicated previously in this memorandum, Davis received considerable literature.

Two receipts found in bag number 4 apparently belong to Jess Doyle, one is dated January 16, 1934, and indicates that J. G. Davis received from E. A. Connley 45¢ for a driver's license. The receipt does not state where same was issued. Another receipt from the Radio Electric Company, 1603 Sylvia Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated October 3, 1933, indicating there was sold to E. A. Conley, address - Grand Hotel - one 27-C Philco \$20.00, an allowance in the amount of \$10. was made on a G.E. Radio. The receipt is marked "Paid" in the amount of \$10.00 by the Radio Electric Company. It may be noted here that Jess Doyle, at the time he was questioned, stated that this receipt is the receipt that was issued to him on the radio which was found in his car.

Also in bag number 4 is a receipt from W. E. Lewis indicating that \$22.50 had been received of G.R. Hansen to apply on rent on apartment number 12, paid until January 8, 1935; two receipts from the Kansas City Star, one of which is addressed to Mr. Robbins, 4925, number 29, Troost, Kansas City, Missouri. Also a receipt for rent written on the stationery of Mrs. Cecil N. Pearson, 2212 Harden Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated November 20, 1934: "Received of G. R. Hansen \$16.25 rent on apartment number 29 at 4925 Troost (signed) F. Beets".

A letter addressed to Mr. C. R. Hansen, 3213 Broadway, Apartment 12, Kansas City, Missouri, from Mr. F. J. Lorden, the Mills Novelty Company, stating that Lorden had just received a letter from Hansen inquiring about coin vending machines. Mr. Lorden stated he was stopping at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Kansas City, and would be pleased to interview Hansen. The letter is dated December 18, 1934.

A letter addressed to Mr. George L. Harper, Box 12, Raytown, Missouri, bearing postmark January 4, 1935, Kansas City, Missouri. The letter is addressed to "My Dear Friends" and merely inquires after the welfare of the children. It is signed "Margie". In this connection a tablet and plain envelopes were also found in bag number 4, which, upon being compared with the letter just referred to, indicate that they are both written on the same type of stationery.

A plain postcard addressed to G. L. Harper, Box 12, Raytown, Missouri, dated January 4, 1935, at Kansas City, Missouri, bearing the message "Dear Mr. Harper: Received your last letter and will do my best to secure

you a job although at present it looks pretty dark. Give my regards to the wife. I remain, your friend Tom". Handwriting on this postcard, as well as the handwriting on the letter just mentioned, indicate they were probably written by the same party. It is believed that they were written by Volney Davis.

A plain postcard was found which is unused. It bears the notation "Icke Graves, 501 North 12". Also a receipt from a Kansas City Charities Fund, dated November 14, 1934, indicating that G. R. Hansen had paid to Mrs. K. R. Jones, salesman, 50¢, the amount pledged and the amount paid. Also found was a receipt from the Kansas City Journal Post from May to November.

Also found in Bag number 4 was a receipt for rental on Post Office Box number 155, Grandview, Missouri, dated November 5, 1934, for rental of box for the quarter ending December 31, 1934. Also a plain envelope upon which is the notation "Over to Helens"; a book of instructions for a Stewart-Warner automobile radio; two Christmas cards, one addressed to "George" and the other to "Grace". The one addressed to Grace is a Christmas Greeting "Love to Daughter" and is signed "Mother". Christmas greeting addressed to "George" bears the notation "To Son from Mother". These cards were not sent through the mail.

The following business cards were also found: C. Elliott, Logan 0945, Fresh Country Eggs; W. E. Morand, Sales Department, Noel V. Wood, Inc., Pontiac Distributor, Kansas City, Missouri; Sherman Valet Shop, Sherman Hotel, 505 East 9th Street, Kansas City, Missouri; West Center Recreation Parlor, 1664 Summit Street, Kansas City, Missouri; ElTrovatore Italian-American Restaurant, 3437 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, Managers: John Sylvester and Joe Forte. Also a cheaply bound memorandum book measuring 4" x 2", on the first page of which appears to be a get-away chart or side road chart. The chart is only carried for a distance of 16.9 miles. At speedometer reading 9.9 is the notation "Left turn on gravel, one mile cross road; 1.8 miles along bridge"; several turns and side roads are indicated at various points on the speedometer until speedometer reading 13.8 is followed by a notation "R.T. on Hy. 160; 16.1 left turn". 16.9 miles is followed by the notation "Keep straight on grav."

In the brief case discarded by Jess Doyle and later recovered was found an Oldsmobile Owner's manual for 1934 Oldsmobile; four stamped envelopes, large size, evidently purchased in the Post Office at Fontana, Kansas as they bear the printed notation "After 5 days return to _____, Fontana, Kansas".

The brief case contained the following license plates: 1934 Oklahoma registration 289A556; Oklahoma 1934 registration 439A432; 1934 Nebraska registration 1-36996; 1934 Wisconsin registration 107-774; 1935 Kansas registration 31-208; 1935 Kansas registration 11-1220; 1934 Illinois registration 298-438 (these last named plates were wrapped in a Kansas City Journal Post dated January 7, 1935). Also in the brief case was found a lubrication chart

for 1934 Oldsmobile 8.

There was also found in the brief case a Rand McNally auto road Atlas of the United States and Eastern Canada. This Atlas does not appear to have been marked or pencilled. There was also a Classen's touring Atlas of the United States. This also bears no indication of having been marked.

There was also found in the brief case the following: A Skelly Oil Company map of Colorado and a Shell road map of Illinois, neither of which have been marked; a Frisco time table; four County maps of the following Counties in Kansas: Montgomery, Wilson, Shawnee and Nemaha. These maps are published by the Gallup Map and Supply Company, 1320 Walnut Street, Kansas City, Missouri. None of the county maps mentioned above appear to have been marked. However, there are two additional County maps - one of Jackson County, Kansas and one of Brown County, Kansas. On the reverse side of each of these maps appears a side road or get-away chart.

The map of Brown County shows on the reverse side a chart starting with a speedometer reading of 000 and continues to a point 84.9 miles. There is a notation following this last speedometer reading "See next book". The Jackson County map, which was also examined, appears to start with a speedometer reading of 85.7 miles and continues through 100 to speedometer reading 66 miles, where there is the notation "Follow no. 7".

Two other charts, one written on a Hy-tone linen fabric writing pad consisting of 16 pages, was found. The first notation on this chart is "Left turn on West 6th Street; right turn on Willow Street; left turn on West 5th Street"; seven cross streets then "right turn on Ellis Street; left turn on West 4th Street". Speedometer reading is first indicated at the next notation, which is "Pavement ends, cross street, 1.2 miles". At the speedometer reading 59 miles the notation "cross U.S. no. 160 highway" appears. At speedometer reading 70.9 miles is the notation "slow, crossing state highway 57". At speedometer reading 76.9 is the notation "Cross State highway 3". At 85 miles is the notation "Slow crossing State highway 39". At speedometer reading 93.9 are the words "Slow crossing highway number 3". After speedometer reading 97.5 the chart as originally made out apparently was rechecked for some of the notations are deleted and immediately after 97.5 reading appears a notation "Go straight to no. 54, make right turn to graveyard and make left turn". When the speedometer reading was 23.6, after having passed the 100 mark, the following notation appears "Slow cross State highway no. 38", and at 26.5 miles "Slow cross State highway no. 3"; at 28.5 miles "Slow, cross State highway no. 38"; at 57.7 miles "Slow, right turn on State highway no. 6"; at 60.1 miles "Slow, left turn, check speedometer off highway no. 6"; at 77.7 "Slow, cross State highway no. 68"; at 95.4 miles "Slow, railroad crossing, U.S. highway no. 50". After the speedometer had again passed 100, when the reading was at 2.6 miles the notation "slow cross road, bump, Olathe Road"; at speedometer reading 14 miles "Slow, right turn on State highway no. 10"; at 15.8 miles "slow, left turn on side road off no. 10"; at 20.6 miles "Slow, side road, left on to No. 7 highway"; at 20.8 miles "slow, side road right

off of no. 7 highway"; at 23.6 miles the chart is discontinued, the last notation being "Holladay, take pavement".

An additional chart was also found in a school note book on which is printed "I am it". The speedometer reading starts at 000 and at 7.8 miles is the notation "right turn on U.S. 166"; at 8.8 miles is the notation "cross road, Labette County line"; at 13.3 miles "Keep straight on gravel off 166"; at 37.1 miles "Slow, right turn on highway no. 73 and 96"; at 41.6 miles "right turn on gravel, Labette on left"; at 69.1 miles "left turn on highway 57"; at 76.4 "slow, off gravel, side road right, Walnut one mile"; at 87.7 miles "right turn on highway 39"; at 92.7 miles "side road highway no. 3". The chart is discontinued at speedometer reading 101.5 with the notation "Right turn on to Uniontown".

It is noted here that all the indications in the charts mentioned above are not set out, notations being made at least once every mile, and on some occasions three or four times in the space of a mile.

There was also found in the brief case a list of County automobile numbers showing the various County identification numbers for Kansas registrations.

On Saturday, February 9, 1935, complaint was filed before the United States Commissioner, Frank Flack, at Topeka, Kansas, and on the morning of February 10, 1935, Deputy United States Marshal George Noret, accompanied by Harry Hyle, former Sheriff of Bourbon County, Kansas, who was deputized for the occasion, and Ross Armstrong, Chief of Police, Pittsburg, Kansas, who was also deputized, took Edna Murray, who was in custody at the Pittsburg City Jail, and Jess Doyle, who was in custody at the Crawford County Jail, to Fort Scott, Kansas, where they were both arraigned before United States Commissioner C. M. Armour. Both Edna Murray and Jess Doyle waived hearing and were taken by the Deputy Marshal and his two deputized assistants to Kansas City, Kansas, where both were lodged in the Wyandotte County Jail to await removal to St. Paul, Minnesota. Bond fixed by Commissioner C. M. Armour at Fort Scott was \$15,000.00 in each case.

On Sunday afternoon, George Noret, after having returned from Kansas City, Kansas, took custody of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Stanley, who were incarcerated in the Pittsburg City Jail. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley were taken by Noret and Harry Hyle, previously mentioned, from Pittsburg to Fort Scott, Kansas, where they were lodged for the night in the Bourbon County Jail. The following morning at 10 o'clock they were arraigned before United States Commissioner Armour, complaint having been filed by Special Agent R. G. Reed on the date of February 9, 1935 at Topeka, Kansas, charging Mr. and Mrs. Stanley with having harbored Edna Murray and Jess Doyle knowing them to be fugitives from Justice. Upon being arraigned before United States Commissioner C. M. Armour, on February 11, 1935, the Stanleys demanded a preliminary hearing, the date of which was fixed as February 25, 1935. Bond in the case of the Stanleys was fixed at \$7500.00 apiece, and upon failure to meet the required bond both

Stanleys were placed in the Bourbon County Jail to await preliminary hearing.

On the date of February 11, 1935, Deputy United States Marshal George Noret, for the District of Kansas, took possession of personal property belonging to Edna Murray and Jess Doyle. The receipt executed by George Noret on February 11, 1935, is quoted as follows:

Crawford County Jail,
Girard, Kansas.
Feb. 11, 1935.

Property found in possession of Edna Murray at Pittsburg, Kan.

2-7-35:

\$200.00 in currency (2 \$100.00 bills)

3- rings. (1 wedding; 1 engagement diamond; 1 diamond dinner.)

Property found in possession of Jess Doyle, Crawford County, Kan.

2-7-35:

1-Hamilton white gold open face watch Case #0258615 works #3322156

1-Watch chain

1-Pocket Knife

1-Diamond ring

1-Diamond stick pin

1-Collar clasp

1-Tie clasp

1-Leather bill fold

\$296.00 in currency (1, \$100.00 bill; 11-\$10.00 bills; 17 - \$5.00 bills and 1-\$1.00 bill)

The following property recovered from the Chevrolet coupe owned by Jess Doyle.

4 Travelling bags, identified by tags, and stickers placed upon them.

1-Gun case #5

1-Philco radio

1-lot of miscellaneous clothes and wearing apparel

I certify that I have received the above property from Special Agents, D.A. Bryce and Wm. B. O'Mahoney Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, 1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

/s/ George Noret

George Noret, Deputy U.S. Marshall

Witnesses:

D.A. Bryce

Wm. B. O'Mahoney

/s/ Wm. B. O'Mahoney

/s/ D. A. Bryce

Special Agents,

Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice

It is noted that the receipt executed by George Horet mentions three rings as being the property of Edna Murray. These rings were taken from the person of Edna Murray while she was being held in the Pittsburg City Jail. It is also noted that there was recovered from Edna Murray a .32 caliber Colt automatic pistol, serial Number 404724. This pistol was brought to the Kansas City Office by the writer, where it is being held.

A summary of all guns which have been identified as being in the possession of Jess Doyle and Edna Murray is as follows:

- One .32 caliber Colt automatic pistol, Serial number 404724.
- One sawed off Winchester, 12 gauge shot gun, pump type, serial number 799868E.
- One Winchester automatic rifle, .401 caliber, serial number 12304.
- One .45 caliber Colt automatic pistol, serial number C-1591419.
- One Remington automatic shotgun, regular length barrel, model 11, serial number 277988.
- One Remington automatic sawed off shotgun, model 11, serial number 367197.

On the date of February 12, 1935, Mary Stanley and Harry C. Stanley were interviewed at the Bourbon County Jail, Fort Scott, Kansas. Signed statements were obtained from both Mr. and Mrs. Stanley, who both contend that they had no knowledge that Volney Davis, who they knew as "Curly" Hansen, or Jess Doyle, who they knew as E. V. or E. A. Conley, and Edna Murray were under indictment in the Federal Court and were being sought by the Department as Fugitives. Both Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Stanley claim that the first indication they had of the above named parties being wanted was on the morning of February 7, 1935, at which time they read the Pittsburg Sun, the daily morning paper at Pittsburg, Kansas, which carried an account of the shooting affray that took place in Kansas City, Missouri, the day previous, in which Doris O'Connor was arrested by local police.

The written statements obtained from Harry C. Stanley and Mary Stanley are quoted as follows:

Fort Scott, Kansas.
Bourbon County Jail.
Feb. 12, 1935.

I, Mary Stanley, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents D. A. Bryce and Wm. B. O'Mahoney, of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

On March 4, 1933 my husband and I moved to 444 East 22nd St. Pittsburg, Kan. where we remained until about the middle of October, 1933. During the time that we were living on East 22nd St. both Edna Murray, who is Mr. Stanley's sister and a party known to me as Curley Hansen via

us once. It is my recollection that Edna Murray stayed overnight but that Curley Hansen did not. During the summer of 1933 a party known to me as E. A. Connley and Doris another sister of Mr. Stanley visited us at 444 E. 22nd St. Doris introduced E. A. Connley as being her husband. They remained at our house for a period of a couple of weeks. They would not stay at our house during the whole time they were in Pittsburg, but stayed part of the time at the Besse Hotel, they complained of their room at the Besse Hotel and I invited them to stay out at our house and save the expense of the hotel room. Mr. Connley at this time was driving a Nash Sedan, and during the time he was at our home he bought a complete set of tires for his car. He also bought a complete set of tires for Mr. Stanley's car, a Buick sedan. The tires were bought at the tire shop located on the west side of Broadway just south of the Frisco RR tracks.

In October of 1933 we moved from E. 22nd St. and went out to keep house for my father W. H. Boice, Rt. #2 Pittsburg, Kan. We stayed there until December 1933 about the 7th of the month. During the time we were at my father's none of the parties mentioned above visited us.

After moving from my father's in December 1933, we tried to locate on a small farm but we were unable to find one suitable. After looking over several farms in Missouri and Oklahoma we finally situated at Kerrville, Texas, about Jan. 9, 1934. We stayed there until about April 1934. While in Kerrville we lived at 604 Washington St. During the time we were at Kerrville, Texas we never heard from or saw anything of Edna, Doris, Curley Hansen or E. A. Connley.

After leaving Kerrville, Texas in April of 1934 we came to Muskogee, Okla. where we rented a furnished apartment at 1109 Okmulgee Ave. We stayed there until the 3rd of July 1934. While at this address in Muskogee, Okla. Doris and E. A. Connley together with Mrs. Lou Stanley, Mott Stanley, his wife, Doris's son and Edna's son visited us one Sunday. I don't recall when it was that they visited us it was either May or June.

After leaving Muskogee in July 1934 we again looked for a small farm, in the vicinity of Cookson Hills, Okla. We camped out Cookson, Okla. for about six weeks. We left Cookson, Okla. and went to Harry's mother's at Cardin, Okla. We were at his mother's on August 25th which is Harry's birthday. Leaving Cardin Okla. we came to Pittsburg, Kan. where we visited my family we stayed there only a few days and then moved back to Muskogee, Okla. Taking a place, 205 1/2 north 12th St. Muskogee. It was right around the 2nd or 3rd of September that we took the apartment at 205 1/2 North 12th St. We remained at this address until about the first of November 1934. From September to November while at Muskogee, Okla. Edna Murray and Curley Hansen visited us. Edna and Curley stayed at our house for about a week. Curley Hansen at this

"time was driving a Pontiac sedan. During the time that Curley Hansen was at our home he seemed to go around as he pleased. Edna however wasn't feeling well and remained in the house most of the time. As Curley Hansen had a new car we let him use the garage that we had rented and left our car parked in front of the house. On one occasion while Hansen was at our home we all went for a ride in his car. The car at that time as far as I could see had no guns in it.

While Hansen and Edna were in Muskogee nothing was ever said that would lead me to believe that Hansen was a fugitive or a convict. I knew that Edna had been in the Penitentiary but I didn't know that she was being looked for then.

Hansen and Edna were the only ones who visited us at 205 1/2 North 12th St. Muskogee, Okla. none of the others ever coming to our place.

After leaving Muskogee about the first of November 1934 we went to Wheeler, Montana, where we remained until just after the first of December, 1934. While in Montana we had no word whatever from Edna, Doris, Hansen or Connley.

We arrived in Pittsburg, Kan. about December 15, 1934 and rented a furnished home at 206 E. Adams St. We remained there until we were taken into custody.

During the time we were at 206 E. Adams St. Edna Murray and Curley Hansen visited us one time, shortly before Christmas, they remained for about two or three hours. Hansen was still driving the same car he had at Muskogee. Hansen again stopped at our house about noon one day following his visit with Edna. He stayed just long enough to eat dinner with us, and said he was just going through.

Also during the time we were at 206 E. Adams St. E. A. Connley visited us on two different occasions. The first time he was there he was with Preston Paden, Edna Murray's son. Harry and I were eating our noon meal when they arrived and they remained for about two or three hours. They ate with us. The next time that I saw E. A. Connley was about 3:00 a.m. on the morning of Feb. 7, 1935 when he came there with Edna Murray. I did not know Connley as Jess Doyle until I read the morning paper Feb. 7, 1935, "The Pittsburg Sun" which said that some apartment manager in Kansas City, Mo. had identified a picture of Jess Doyle as being one E. A. Connley to whom he had rented an apartment. This was the first time that I knew that Connley was a fugitive.

Since Jan. 1, 1935 we have been regular subscribers to the Pittsburg Sun. The morning paper at Pittsburg, Kan. The only occasion when I would see a Pittsburg Headlight the Evening paper was when I would go out to my father's. I do recall reading an account in the Pittsburg

"Sun which stated that indictments were returned against certain parties in the Bremer kidnaping case, but none of the names mentioned were names that I had ever heard before. I did not see the name of Edna Murray, E. A. Connley, Hansen or Volney Davis.

The first that I knew that Curley Hansen was Volney Davis and that he was wanted by the government was after I was arrested. I did not know that Edna Murray was under indictment by the Federal Government until after I was arrested Feb. 7th. I don't recall whether I had ever read anything about Jess Doyle being wanted by the Government, and I didn't know that Doyle was Connley until I read the paper on the morning of Feb. 7th while Doyle was at my home with Edna Murray.

I have read the foregoing statement which consists of this and two preceeding pages and declare that the facts set out therein are the truth.

/s/ Mary Stanley

Witnessed:

D.A. Bryce, Special Agent
Wm. B. O'Mahoney Special Agent.
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice.
/s/ D. A. Bryce, Special Agent.
/s/ Wm. B. O'Mahoney, Spec. Agt.

Fort Scott, Kan.
Bourbon County Jail,
Feb. 12, 1935

I, Harry C. Stanley, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents D. A. Bryce and Wm. B. O'Mahoney of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

I moved to Pittsburg, Kansas March 4, 1933 and took up residence at 444 E. 22nd St. where I lived with my wife until October of 1933. It was while living at 444 E. 22nd St. that I first saw Jess Doyle, who was introduced to me by my sister Doris Stuchlik as E.V. Connley. They stayed at my house for about three days or so. While Doyle was at my house he bought a complete set of tires for my automobile. He claimed that his business was bond salesman. Edna Murray who is also my sister also came to my house at 444 E. 22nd St. with a man named Curley Hansen. Curley Hansen was supposed to be in business with E. V. Connley. Edna and Curley stayed just one day arriving in the morning and leaving that night. The time of this visit as near as

"I can remember is about July 4th. I did not know that Doyle or Curley Hansen who I now know to be Volney Davis were ex-convicts. I did not find out who they really were or that they were wanted by the Government until the morning of Feb. 7, 1935 when I read an account in the Pittsburg Sun.

The next time that I saw Curley Hansen was after we had taken an apartment in Muskogee, Okla. in September of 1934. The apartment was located at 205 1/2 North 12th St. Curley Hansen and Edna my sister came there and stayed about three days. Hansen was driving Pontiac Sedan. I was in this car on one occasion at this time I never saw any guns.

The next time I saw E. V. Connley after seeing him in Pittsburg, Kan. July 1933, was in April 1934 right after we had returned to Muskogee, Okla. from Texas. He came to visit my wife and I with my mother, brother, sister-in-law, my sister Doris, Doris' son, Kott, and Edna's son Preston Padden.

After moving to Pittsburg, Kan. 206 E. Adams St. about Dec. 16, 1934, Edna and Curley Hansen came to my house one Sunday they just stayed for dinner and left out. This was after we had been living in Pittsburg for about two weeks. They never did say where they were going or where they had come from. Connley also came to my home at 206 E Adams St. with Edna's son, Preston. I don't remember the date they only stayed for a very short time not over an hour. Curley Hansen also came to the house alone I don't remember the date and only stayed for about thirty minutes. The next time that I saw either Connley or Hansen was about 3:00 a.m. on the morning of Feb. 7, 1935, when Edna and Connley came to my home. It was on the morning of Feb. 7th. that the shooting took place and I was taken into custody.

On the morning that Connley came to my home with Edna I read the Pittsburg Sun and saw that Connley was really Jess Doyle that was the first time that I knew that he was wanted by the Government. I did not know that Edna or Jess Doyle were indicted in the Bremer Kidnaping case. After learning who Connley was on Feb. 7, I tried to get rid of Connley. I realized that I was in a spot and was trying to get out of it. I told my wife that I was going out to Chicopee after a bottle of liquor. When I said I was leaving Connley said that he would go too. I went to the bed and got his overcoat and gave it to him. He put it on and said "Come on let's go". He said "Hold on don't run off from me" I stayed on the back porch until he came out. I went to the garage and got my car and he got in his. I backed clear to the street and headed south and drove off. Doyle was right on my heels in his car. I drove south two blocks and turned west to Broadway, I thought that Connley would take Broadway either north or south and I went straight across. After I crossed Broadway I looked back and saw Doyle still following me. I then turned south on a blind street where I had to turn around and come back.

"After I had turned around and crossed the intersection of Quincy St. I heard the shooting and I stopped. No one seemed to be interested in me so I drove on home. Shortly after reaching home I was placed under arrest.

I did not know that Edna Murray who is my sister was escaped from Missouri State Penitentiary I believed that she was out on Parole. I did not know that she was under indictment in the Bremer kidnaping case or that Connley was Doyle or that he was under indictment in the same case.

I have read the foregoing statement which consists of this and one previous page and declare that the facts set out therein are the truth.

Witnessed: /s/ Harry C. Stanley

D. A. Bryce, Special Agent,
Wm. B. O'Mahoney, Special Agent

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice,

/s/ Wm. B. O'Mahoney
/s/ D. A. Bryce.

It may be noted here that since obtaining the statements from the Stanleys Agent had occasion to talk to Edna Murray at the Wyandotte County, Kansas jail. Edna Murray stated that her brother, Harry C. Stanley, knew Volney Davis as Volney Davis in that he had known Davis when the latter and she were sweethearts in Sapulpa, Oklahoma prior to the time that Davis was arrested and sentenced to the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma for murder of a night watchman.

In connection with the case against Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stanley, a separate file is being opened in the Kansas City office entitled "HARRY C. STANLEY; MARY STANLEY - HARBORING".

As has already been indicated in the memoranda prepared by Special Agents Dietz and O'Mahoney relative to property found in the possession of both Edna Murray and Jess Doyle at the time of their arrest in bag number 4, which was a Gladstone bag, was found one package of Travelers' Checks of the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, serial numbers of which have been set out above. Concerning these checks, which were taken into possession By Special Agent Paul Hanson, of the Oklahoma City Office, and are at this time in the possession of that office, numerous attempts were later made at the Wyandotte County Jail, Kansas City, Kansas to elicit information

from Doyle as to his possible participation in a robbery of the First National Bank of Okemah, Oklahoma, and also the Okemah National Bank, Okemah, Oklahoma, which occurred December 22, 1934. In addition to the signed written statement submitted by him on February 15, 1935, he stated on numerous occasions thereafter to Special Agent John L. Madala and the writer that he had not participated in those robberies and knew nothing concerning them. Concerning also the two Mellon Travelers' Checks which were subsequently recovered from Doyle's apartment, together with the City of Peabody, Kansas bond, Doyle also professed to know nothing which would explain their presence there.

In this connection it should be noted that it is quite possible that Doyle was telling the truth inasmuch as subsequent to the time he made his written statement, and prior to his departure for St. Paul in the custody of the United States Marshal, he admitted that he, together with Volney Davis and Johnny Rush, alias Jack Langdon, had robbed the Bank of Drexel, Drexel, Missouri, on December 13, 1934, at which time the City of Peabody, Kansas \$1000.00 bond which, as above indicated, was recovered in Doyle's apartment at 23 Warner Plaza, was stolen. However, he stated repeatedly that he had nothing to do with the robbery of the banks in Okemah and could offer no information as to the identities of the men who had participated in them. When confronted with the fact that two \$10.00 Travelers' Checks issued by the Mellon National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, numbers G-336580 and G-336597, had been found in his apartment, and which had been identified as part of the loot taken in the robbery of one of the two banks in Okemah, he stated the two checks had been given to him by Volney Davis about a month ago. In this connection, he stated that had he been in the Okemah Bank robberies he would be glad to admit it inasmuch as he would rather serve a sentence in the Federal Penitentiary than in the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City. Reference to the latter was made in view of his earlier admission that he, together with Davis and Johnny Rush, had robbed the Bank of Drexel, Drexel, Missouri on December 13, 1934.

With further reference to the \$1000.00 City of Peabody, Kansas bond and two Travelers' Checks which were found in Doyle's apartment at 23 Warner Plaza by Charles Bowman, negro janitor at that address, it should also be noted that on February 13, 1935, the Kansas City Star carried a news dispatch to the effect that George Hatch, Cashier of the Bank of Drexel, Drexel, Missouri, had identified the bond as one of the several taken in the loot at the time the bank was robbed on December 13th last.

On February 14, 1935, the writer, accompanied by Special Agent D. A. Bryce, contacted Thomas J. Higgins, Chief of Detectives, of the Kansas City Police Department, with reference to this and at that time learned the serial numbers of the Travelers' checks found and the details surrounding the discovery of the same. The bond and the two Travelers' checks are at the present time in the custody of Thomas J. Higgins, Chief of Detectives, Kansas City, Missouri.

On the same day Charles Bowman, negro janitor at 23 Warner Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri, was brought to the Kansas City Bureau Office and there interviewed by Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and D. A. Bryce relative to the circumstances surrounding the discovery of the aforementioned securities by him. It was at that time learned that such discovery had been made in the manner heretofore mentioned in this report; namely, that the food articles remaining in the apartment after the search made by the police, was given to Mr. Bowman by Mrs. Miller, the manager of the apartment. She stated to him at that time that the apartment had to be cleaned out immediately so that it might be shown to prospective tenants and ordered him to clean out all the cupboard shelves and keep the food for himself, if he so desired. This consisted at the time, according to Mr. Bowman's own statement to Special Agents, of the following: A sack of potatoes; onions; flour; catsup; chop suey sauce; 1/2 can of Ovaltine; 5 pounds of sugar; oranges and grapefruit. Bowman then took all the articles to his quarters, which are located in the basement of 15 Warner Plaza and in the course of preparing some Ovaltine on Saturday night, February 9, 1935, discovered the bond and two Travelers' checks, which he immediately wrapped in newspaper, put in the corner of the coal bin and covered with coal. On Monday he took the securities to number 6 police station, from which place they were subsequently turned over to Chief of Detectives T. J. Higgins, of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department.

During the interview with Bowman it was also learned that two men had appeared at the apartment at 23 Warner Plaza and had made inquiries about the people in apartment 7, which was the one formerly occupied by Jess Doyle and Doris O'Connor. However, they made no disclosures to him of their identities or their reason for making inquiry. Consequently, in respect to this, Bowman had no further information to offer.

A memorandum covering the complete details of this investigation by Special Agents O'Mahoney and Bryce is being prepared by Special Agent O'Mahoney and further investigation will be conducted to determine, if possible, the identity of the two men mentioned by Bowman as the persons making inquiries about Apartment 7, 23 Warner Plaza, on Sunday, February 10, 1935.

The following memoranda submitted by Special Agent John L. Madala with reference to further information secured by him from Jess Doyle, are included herein.

The following is additional information obtained from Jess Doyle by Special Agent John L. Ladala on February 14, 1935:

Agent informed Jess Doyle that Volney Davis had been apprehended by the Government, but that he subsequently was successful in escaping. In this connection, Agent asked Jess where he believed Volney would seek refuge and whom he would attempt to contact for money or firearms. Doyle stated that if Volney were in the vicinity of Chicago, Illinois, he would unquestionably call on Matt Kirsch, who operates the Riverside Cafe and the Fox Gardens in Aurora, Illinois. He stated that there is a great possibility that he also may contact other friends in Aurora, Illinois. In this connection, Doyle stated that Volney is a very likable fellow, and if his true identity is not known in Aurora, Illinois, he would have no difficulty in finding refuge there.

Doyle further stated that he believes that Volney has numerous friends in Toledo, Ohio, who would not hesitate to harbor him. He advised that at one time Volney mentioned the names Bert and Ted, stating that these fellows were very friendly with the boys.

Doyle advised that should Volney return to Kansas City he would undoubtedly contact a man by the name of Leo. In this connection, he stated that on the night that Volney disappeared, Edna suggested that he drive her to an apartment at 4915 Troost Street, as she believed that if anyone knew where Volney was, Leo would know. With further reference to this person, Doyle stated that he had met Leo on one occasion at Volney's apartment on Broadway in Kansas City, and that he subsequently heard Volney talk about him on various occasions, which gave him the impression that they are very good friends.

Doyle also stated that he is positive that Volney has numerous connections in Joplin, Missouri, as he distinctly recalls that during the past two months he made frequent trips to Joplin. However, he does not know the identity of any persons in Joplin with whom Volney was connected.

Doyle continued that Volney is very much devoted to his family, and that he goes down to visit them whenever he has an opportunity. At one time, Volney advised him that one of his sisters, who married a farmer boy in Neosho, Missouri, was about to give birth to a child, and that he was contemplating going to visit her in the near future. Concerning other contacts of Davis, Doyle stated that Volney is well known to all of Edna Murray's relatives, particularly those in Cardin and Commerce, Oklahoma, where her mother and brothers live; that he often accompanied Edna to these points to visit with her family, and he believes that they think very highly of him. Doyle stated that Volney has an interest in a gambling establishment in Glasgow, Montana, being in partnership with Corey Bales; that he does not believe that Bales knows the true identity of Volney, although Volney has intimated to him at times that he was a parole violator, and that the police were looking for him on that charge. He further states that he does not believe that Volney will return to Glasgow, as he is of the belief that the Government men are "planted" up there for him.

Doyle stated that Volney is afflicted with a venereal disease, which has reduced his resistance considerably in the past two or three months; further that Volney is becoming mentally deranged and that at times he acts like an extremely crazy person. He believes that this is hereditary. In this connection, he stated that one of Volney's sisters is at present in an insane asylum.

The following memorandum was submitted by Special Agent John L. Madala under date of February 15, 1935:

With reference to the signed statement taken from Edna Murray at the Wyandotte County Jail at Kansas City, Kansas, February 12, 1935, as above set out, it will be noted that Volney Davis was borrowing considerable money from Fred and Doc Barker during the latter part of 1933; that around November 1, 1933, Volney suggested to Edna that they drive to Reno, Nevada, for the purpose of borrowing some money from the boys, who were apparently in that city at that time. It will be further noted that at the time Volney and Edna left Aurora, Illinois, for Toledo, Ohio, on or about May 1, 1934, they had in their possession a considerable amount of money. As confirmation of this fact, it will be noted that Volney purchased a new 1934 model Ford Sedan in Toledo, Ohio, May 21, 1934, paying \$680. in cash for same. Also at this time he gave \$250 to Edna for an operation, and likewise paid Jess Doyle \$250, which he had owed him for over a year. Shortly after this payment on account, he sent \$250 in money orders to Jess at Cardin, Oklahoma. Edna admitted to Agents that Volney stopped borrowing money after they left Aurora, Illinois, and believes that he paid Fred Barker and Doc Barker the money he had owed them. It will be recalled that shortly prior to this date, John J. "Boss" McLaughlin, through his employees, exchanged approximately \$57,000. of Bremer ransom money for good money in Chicago, Illinois; that the major part of this currency was brought to Aurora, Illinois, by Russell Gibson and Jimmy Wilson and given to Volney Davis.

The foregoing information is set out to show that shortly prior to the Bremer kidnaping Volney Davis was borrowing money in large amounts and that subsequent thereto, particularly after the period in which the Bremer ransom money was sold in Chicago and brought to Aurora, Illinois, he began to pay his debts, and appeared to have a great deal of money generally.

Attention is also invited to the information set out concerning Volney's appearance in St. Paul, Minnesota, on the day of the kidnaping, and his associations with the Barker boys, et al, at that time. According to Edna's statement, it will be noted that Volney Davis was away from his apartment in St. Paul part of the day on which Bremer was kidnaped; that on the day the news came out concerning the kidnaping, Volney came home very much excited and suggested that Edna move to Chicago, explaining to her that something had happened.

It will be further noted that while Edna was residing in Chicago during the period of Bremer's captivity, Volney visited her on three or four occasions. At these times he would stay two or three days and then return a few days later. Further, that he was not in Chicago on the day Bremer was released, nor was he there the day previous.

It is also interesting to note that during the entire time that Bremer was held, Harry Campbell did not appear at the apartment that Wynona Burdette and Edna had in Chicago. This is evidenced by Edna's statements to the effect that on one or two occasions during this period, Wynona repeatedly asked Volney on his visits there where "her buff" (an alias of Harry Campbell) was, and when he would be back. It will be further noted that Harry Campbell did not come to the apartment until the day following Bremer's release, or the day after, and that about two days later he and Wynona went to Toledo, Ohio.

It will also be noted that Edna advised that Willie Harrison visited them at the apartment on one occasion during the period of Bremer's captivity. There is also pointed out the fact that Volney and Edna were in Buffalo, New York, on or about August 1, 1934; that they registered in a hotel and sometime later Volney went out by himself for two or three hours, stating that he was going to take a walk. It will be recalled that around this period, notes identified as part of the Bremer ransom money were discovered in Buffalo, New York.

In view of the admission by Jess Doyle of his participation in the robbery of the Bank of Drexel, Drexel, Missouri, on December 13, 1934, it is thought appropriate at this time to set out the facts relative to that offense, which were obtained from Mr. Charles Hey, bookkeeper of the above bank, at the Wyandotte County Jail, Kansas City, Kansas, on February 15, 1935. He advised that entry to the bank had been made by the use of a crowbar on the back door sometime prior to 8 o'clock the morning of December 13, 1934. Hey had been the first one to arrive, at approximately 8 A.M., coming in the front door and going immediately to the back room to hang up his clothes. At that time two men, who were standing up against the wall - one armed with a .45 automatic pistol and the other holding what appeared to be a long barreled .38 caliber revolver - accosted him. They made him sit down on a box and wait until other members of the bank appeared. During this time they asked many questions concerning the number of employees; at what time the timelock came off the safe; and other inquiries about the modus operandi of the bank. About ten minutes later H. T. Snook, Assistant Cashier, came in and the bandit armed with the revolver accosted him when he was about half way from the front door to the back room. Snook had pulled down the blind on the front door when he first came to the bank which, according to Hey, was a signal to all employees entering thereafter that the bank was occupied. Like Hey, Snook was also placed

in a chair and questions were put to him in the same manner as they had previously been asked of Hey. Mr. Hatch, the Cashier, came in the bank about 8:30 and both he and Snook were then forced to open the safe. The money was removed and placed in a calendar box which had been found in the back room, and then all three employees were herded into the vault and the door slammed shut. After being threatened with death if they attempted to follow the bandits the two men made their escape out the back door where a car was waiting for them. According to Hey, it was apparent to him that either three or four men took part in the robbery. As well as he could remember his descriptions of the bandits were as follows:

#1 (the person who guarded him in the back room)

AGE	Between 25 and 27
HEIGHT	5'8" or 5'9"
WEIGHT	155 lbs.
HAIR	Rather light
COMPLEXION	Light
BUILD	Slender
	Dressed in blue shirt, light bluish gray overcoat, new overshoes; light tan pigskin gloves; had a narrow face and pointed chin.

(Since Doyle's disclosures that he was accompanied on this robbery by Volney Davis and Jack Langdon, it is thought quite possible that the above description fits that of Volney Davis).

#2 (the person who forced them to open the safe and removed the money)

AGE	Between 28 and 30
HEIGHT	5'6"
WEIGHT	160 lbs.
BUILD	Chunky
COMPLEXION	Dark (Sallow)
HAIR	Dark
EYES	Probably brown.
	Dressed in dark cloth jacket, dark blue in color; dark blue trousers, no belt; wore a hat, color unknown.

(It is also noted from the description given of bandit number 2 that it is quite possible he is identical with Jack Langdon, who, according to Doyle's statement, accompanied Davis and him on this robbery).

Doyle, according to his own admissions, drove the 1934 Oldsmobile car and picked up the other men in the alley at the rear of the bank when they made their departure through the back door.

In this connection, Deputy Sheriff P. J. McAnany, of Drexel, Missouri, was interviewed at the Wyandotte County Jail on the same date, and he advised that at about the time that the robbery was being committed he had noticed a 1934 Oldsmobile Sedan parked on the East side of 2nd Street in Drexel, Missouri, which is the first street East of the Bank of Drexel. At that time, in addition to the man behind the wheel of the car, there was another person, who he described as a boy, sitting on the right side of the driver. His description of the driver, which is contained in memorandum form in the Kansas City Bureau Office, quite accurately fits that of Jess Doyle. The description given by the Deputy Sheriff of the person described by him as a boy is as follows:

AGE	17 or 18
HEIGHT	5'7"
WEIGHT	135 lbs.
BUILD	Slender
COMPLEXION	Light
	Baby face;
	Wore gray hat, light topcoat. His trousers had blood spots around the cuff.

In view of the recent association with Volney Davis, Edna Murray and Earl Stuchlick, of Preston Paden, Edna Murray's son, it is thought quite possible that the person referred to by Deputy Sheriff McAnany as a boy is identical with Paden. However, when asked concerning this Doyle definitely stated that there were only three persons who had participated in this robbery and that Preston Paden had not taken any part in it. However, it is thought that he might be attempting to hide the name of Paden in this regard since his denials were not at all emphatic. Consequently investigation is being conducted at this time to determine the present whereabouts of Preston Paden so that definite information can be obtained concerning the robbery of the Bank of Drexel, Missouri, and also that of the National Banks at Okemah, Oklahoma.

It should be noted here that the robbery of the Bank of Drexel, Drexel, Missouri, is not an offense coming within the investigative jurisdiction of this office. However, in view of the people participating in it and the important information that might be obtained concerning their contacts in and around Kansas City, it has been deemed highly advisable that inquiries be made. It is for this reason that the circumstances surrounding the robbery of the Drexel, Missouri bank have been set out in this report and are being given careful consideration by this office.

At this time attention is called to letter to the Butte Bureau Office from the Kansas City Office under date of February 13, 1935, at which time it was set out that investigation in this district has disclosed the fact that Volney Davis was closely associated with Earl Stuchlick, who also used the name of E. Stewart. It was further stated that Davis indicated, prior to

his removal from Kansas City, that it had been his intention to proceed in the near future to the State of Montana to a point where some dam was being built.

Inquiries made by this office in an effort to determine the present whereabouts of Stuchlick have resulted in the information that Stuchlick is presently in Montana for the purpose of attempting to purchase an interest in a night club or restaurant located at the site of some Government development, the name of the town having the word "Fort" contained in it. This information, as contained in the letter to the Butte Office mentioned above, was received from Hugh Larimer, an Attorney at Topeka, Kansas, who in the past has represented Stuchlick in a number of matters. It is thought probable that this town was Fort Peck, Montana. According to Larimer he received a postcard from Stuchlick on February 11, 1935, which was mailed at that point. As was further mentioned in the above letter to the Butte Office, it is known that Stuchlick was recently in Kansas City accompanied by the son of Edna Murray, whose name is Preston L. Paden. At that time these persons were driving a 1933 Standard Chevrolet Coupe, black, motor number M-14155; 1935 Missouri license 37-618. This car at that time bore a spare tire cover with the following words "Carl Farley, Amarillo, Texas" in red and white letters. A small photograph of Stuchlick, which is the most recent in the possession of this office, was transmitted to the Butte Office along with the letter from this office under date of February 12, 1935, together with a photostatic copy of his signature on a hotel register in Kansas City under the name of "E. Stewart".

It was suggested at this time that the Butte Office make immediate efforts to locate both Stuchlick and Paden in the vicinity of Fort Peck in order that appropriate surveillance might be maintained in order to determine if Davis might make an effort to contact them. The Butte Office was further advised that efforts would be continued by this office to determine the exact location of Stuchlick, and, if successful, appropriate notification would be given by telegram.

With reference to the car in which these persons might be traveling, it was also brought to the attention of the Butte Office that Stuchlick might have an Oldsmobile automobile, although nothing definite has been determined in this connection. Stuchlick at the present time is on probation in connection with a counterfeiting charge in the District of Kansas, and is also under indictment for violation of the Internal Revenue Laws and on bond to appear at Wichita, Kansas during the month of March. On the date of the transmittal of the above information to the Butte Office the following descriptions of the two men mentioned were given:

NAME	EARL STUCHLICK alias E. Stewart
AGE	About 40
HEIGHT	5'7 1/2"
WEIGHT	150 lbs.
COMPLEXION	Medium
EYES	Dark chestnut
HAIR	Brown (Sandy)
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NAME	PRESTON L. PADEN alias Ferce Paden
AGE	19 (looks about 21)
HEIGHT	About 5'6"
WEIGHT	135 lbs.
HAIR	Light
COMPLEXION	Light
BUILD	Slender
	Very neat dresser; has worn dark coat and derby hat.

With respect to the interviews had with Jess Doyle subsequent to the time he signed the written statement, which is set out in full in this report, it will also be noted that Doyle stated that he did not believe Volney Davis participated in the robberies of the First National Bank of Okemah, Oklahoma and the Okemah National Bank, of Okemah, Oklahoma, since to the best of his recollection Volney Davis was in Kansas City on that day. It should also be noted that subsequent to the recovery of the Mellon National Bank Travelers' checks found in the suit case taken from the car which Doyle had abandoned at the time he surrendered, it later developed that the above suit-case was the property of Volney Davis. When questioned as to the possible source from which Volney Davis may have secured these checks, Doyle advised he believes he received them from a man whom he knows only as LEO. He further stated that to the best of his knowledge Leo is the only person with whom Volney has connections in Kansas City, Missouri. Although Jess Doyle denied any further knowledge as to the reason for his contention in this connection, he left with Special Agent John L. Madala, who interviewed him, the impression that he has information on hand that positively establishes this possibility. In view of this he was interviewed at great length with reference to this matter but he would furnish no further explanation.

Doyle stated that he had met Leo only on one occasion and that was around the latter part of January 1935. On that occasion Volney had brought Leo to his apartment on Broadway in Kansas City, Missouri, at which time Edna Murray and he, Jess, were drinking coffee in the kitchen of the apartment. When Volney and Leo entered Davis casually introduced Leo to them, after which the two men went into the dining room and talked confidentially for about 25

minutes. Doyle states he does not know the nature of their conversation as he was not included in it. He further stated that he and Edna were talking about automobiles in general at this time and that when Leo left Volney entered into their discussion in this regard and remarked Leo owned a 1935 Ford automobile. Aside from stating that Leo was possibly a Kansas City character Doyle had no further information concerning Leo, denying positively that he knew any of the latter's connections. On the day Davis was apprehended, according to Doyle, Edna suggested that he, Jess, drive her to an apartment building on Troost Avenue as she believed Volney would possibly be at that place. This was quite late on the day Davis was apprehended at which time Edna, according to her own statement made to the writer and Special Agent John L. Madala, was very much excited as to what had happened to him. Jess, at her direction, drove to 4915 Troost Avenue, which is the address of a large apartment building; that she entered the building alone, coming out a few minutes later without having seen anyone. However, as they were driving away she looked back at the building and at this time she observed a light in the apartment in question. She stated at that time that it was strange that no one had answered the door as there was obviously some one at home in view of the light which she had seen. Doyle at the time turned to see what apartment Edna had reference to and observed that same was located on the second floor in the rear on the north side of the building.

Doyle further stated that he believed Volney visited this apartment on the day prior to his, Davis', arrest. After he and Volney had left the United Motors Service, where Davis had left the Pontiac Sedan for repairs, Davis, according to Doyle, directed him to drive to a point on Troost Avenue, opposite the car barns, where he got out of the car stating he had to see a fellow about something. Inasmuch as this location is only a block or two from 4915 Troost Avenue, Jess was of the opinion that Davis went to this address but did not want him, Doyle, to know what place he was visiting. Leo was described by Doyle as follows:

AGE	35
HEIGHT	5'8"
WEIGHT	165 lbs.
HAIR	Dark
COMPLEXION	Dark.

On February 14, 1935, Special Agents John L. Madala and R. G. Reed made an investigation at 4915 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, and learned that the apartment located on the second floor in the rear of the north side, as described by Doyle, is apartment number 8. No name was observed on the door of this apartment nor was there any name posted on the mail box or the bell. The building is four stories high and consists of 18 furnished apartments. There is no switchboard and the only visible phone is located in the hallway on the first floor. The same is a pay phone and apparently is used by all tenants in the building excepting those, of course, who have private

phones installed in their apartments.

Through inquiries made of the manager, W. L. Carter, information was received concerning every tenant of the building at 4915 Troost. This procedure was followed so that it would not appear to Carter that Agents were particularly interested in obtaining information concerning any particular occupant, such as those in apartment 8. It was learned that Apartment 8 was occupied by a Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, first name unknown; that they had moved into the building in August 1934. Nothing was known of the occupation or employment of Mitchell except the opinion of Carter that he was a gambler or bootlegger. Mitchell, according to the manager, usually sleeps all day and goes out at night and appears to have plenty of money. Their rent was always paid promptly, according to Mr. Carter, and another man is thought to reside in the apartment with the Mitchells whose name or relationship to the Mitchells Carter did not know. Miss Carter, the manager's daughter, advised she recently noted that a dark complexioned man with a dark mustache visited the Mitchells, and on a few occasions she had seen Mr. Mitchell and his friend drive away with this man in a Dodge Coupe bearing Missouri tags. From Miss Carter it was also learned that Mr. Mitchell appeared to have many male visitors. A 1935 Ford Sedan had been seen parked in the driveway beside the building, and, according to Miss Carter, it is quite likely that the same is owned by the Mitchells. Mitchell is described by Mr. Carter and his daughter as follows:

AGE	40
WEIGHT	175 lbs.
HEIGHT	5'8"
HAIR	Dark
COMPLEXION	Dark
	Jewish looking.

The man living with Mitchell was described as follows:

AGE	35
HEIGHT	6'
WEIGHT	190 lbs.
HAIR	Light
COMPLEXION	Light.

The third party mentioned by Miss Carter was described as follows:

AGE	About 30
HEIGHT	5'6"
WEIGHT	130 lbs.
HAIR	Black
COMPLEXION	Dark
	Wears long black mustache.

It was not deemed advisable to place complete faith and confidence in the manager of this building at the time he was interviewed as it was apparent he regarded Mitchell very highly. The above facts were transmitted immediately to Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and it was deemed advisable thereupon to place the above address under surveillance in an effort to ascertain further information concerning the identities of the occupants of Apartment 8 at 4915 Troost Avenue. It had been determined that the building immediately adjacent to the apartment on the north was vacant. This building is a bungalow and inasmuch as a For Rent sign appeared on the front window Special Agent John L. Madala, accompanied by the writer, contacted this real estate company, which is that of J. R. Welsh, R. A. Long Building, Kansas City, Missouri, and were successful in obtaining the use of this bungalow for an indefinite period of time for surveillance purposes. Mr. F. W. Schulz, the General Manager, was contacted in this respect.

On the night of February 15, 1935, Special Agents O'Mahoney and Bryce maintained a surveillance at this apartment and observed a man leave the building by way of the rear door. He boarded a street car and the above Agents trailed him to the White Swan Cafe where he was observed to join three other men. The White Swan Cafe is located on East 12th Street in about the 700 block and is known to be a place frequented by the cheaper class of people and many questionable characters. Agents O'Mahoney and Bryce described this man as age about 30; height 5'11"; weight 200 pounds; light hair; complexion fair. It will be noted that this description substantially answered that of the friend of Mr. Mitchell, as set out above.

It should be noted at this time that the above address at 4915 Troost Avenue, is being kept under surveillance by the Agents of this office in the hope that information might be obtained relative to the possible whereabouts of Volney Davis or of his associates, inasmuch as it appears that he was well acquainted with people now residing at the above address. Information obtained from Jess Doyle in this respect points to such a conclusion, although no one definitely answering the description of Davis or of anyone known to be an associate of his has been seen in the vicinity of 4915 Troost.

In connection with the same matter Edna Murray was again interviewed on February 16, 1935 by Special Agent John L. Madala and the writer. She at first denied knowing anyone in Kansas City by the name of "Leo", but later admitted she had met him through Volney Davis on one occasion. After being confronted with the fact that she had attempted to contact him on the day she departed with Doyle from Kansas City for Pittsburg, Kansas, she also admitted going to apartment 8 at 4915 Troost Avenue on the day Davis disappeared, stating she went to this place for the reason that she believed that Leo would possibly know where Volney was. She had learned of Leo's address through Volney, she advised, and that one night while she and Davis were out driving they drove past 4915 Troost, at which time he casually mentioned to her that Leo lived on the second floor in the rear of that address. Edna further stated

that on the night she went to this apartment no one was at home. When asked why she did not advise Agents of Leo's address previously, that is, when Agents had specifically asked her for it, she stated that at that time she was not certain whether or not Volney had been arrested and consequently did not want to reveal his address as she thought Davis might seek refuge there.

Edna Murray persistently denied knowing anything further concerning Leo and likewise denied knowing his wife or any of his associates. However, she later admitted that Johnny Rush, alias Jack Langdon, and his girl friend, Helen, who, incidentally, is the one whom Doris O'Connor shot on February 5, 1935, in Kansas City, had lived at this address on the first floor sometime during the past three months. She also denied knowledge of any connection between Leo and Johnny Rush.

Concerning the White Swan Cafe, mentioned above, Edna stated this place was owned by a Johnny Miller, or some such name, who formerly was a guard at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri. A man and woman known as Eddie and Bertha Drew, with whom Edna said she had been acquainted for five or six years, worked in the White Swan Cafe. She further remarked that about two months ago Volney and she had visited there in the hope of finding her son Preston. However, she at that time was not successful in locating her boy at the above cafe.

It is not believed that Edna Murray has told the truth in many respects, and in view of this it is entirely possible that the White Swan Cafe was formerly a hangout for Volney Davis, and coupled with the fact that Agents O'Mahoney and Bryce have followed Mitchell's associate to this Cafe it would appear that there is a possibility that this place is likewise a hangout for Leo and his associates. Further, there is a possibility that the latter are the ones who robbed the national banks in Okemah, Oklahoma December 22, 1934. Further investigation of the above matters is being strenuously followed out at this time, the results of which will be reported as speedily as possible.

In addition to the property recovered from both Edna Murray and Jess Doyle at the time of their arrest, the important articles of which have been set out in full in the body of this report, there are other small articles, including toilet articles and the like, a complete list of which is being retained in the Kansas City Bureau Office files.

Concerning the investigation warranted by the discovery of the articles already listed in the body of this report, letters are being dispatched to the various Field Offices so that appropriate attention may be given to these matters immediately.

In addition to the originals of the statements made by Jess Doyle and Edna Murray, which, as heretofore stated, are being transmitted to the St. Paul Office, there are also being forwarded to the office of origin

the Waivers of Removal signed on February 7 and February 8, 1935, by Jess Doyle and Edna Murray, respectively. The Waiver of Removal signed February 6, 1935 by Volney Davis, during his short detention in the Kansas City Bureau Office, is being transmitted to the Chicago Office. It should likewise be noted that the Winchester Automatic Rifle, .401 caliber, number 12304; Sawed off Winchester Model 97 pump, 12 gauge shotgun, barrel length about 16 inches, number 799868-E; 12 gauge Remington Automatic shotgun #367197, with sawed off barrel and stock; one .32 caliber Colt automatic pistol #404724, taken from Edna Murray and one .32 caliber Colt automatic pistol #433263 and loaded clip, taken from Volney Davis, have been forwarded to the Bureau. Letter recording such transmittal is dated February 18, 1935. It should also be noted here that one .45 caliber automatic pistol and another 12 gauge shotgun were taken by Sheriff Delmaside at Girard, Kansas, who refused to turn the same over to Agents of this office.

Reference is made to the telephone call from Mr. Tamm, of the Bureau, on the night of February 12, 1935, concerning information to the effect that Harry Sawyer and his wife were expected to visit, within the next few days, the address of 601 South 9th Street, in either Kansas City, Missouri or Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mr. Tamm was advised that there is no South 9th Street in Kansas City but there was such a street in Kansas City, Kansas. Appropriate inquiries were made by Agents O'Mahoney and Clary of this office and it was observed that the only place answering such an address was 601 East 9th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, which was occupied by a filling station apparently operated in conjunction with a parking lot. The city directory showed this station to be owned by one William H. Williams, The gasoline handled there being that of the Diamond Petroleum Company. Inquiries through that company revealed Williams no longer operated that station and it was presently under lease to John E. Belcher and H. K. Simpson, who took over the filling station on December 1, 1934.

Further inquiries were made by Special Agent V. R. Clary to determine the reputation and reliability of both of the above mentioned individuals. However, the result of same is not being recorded here inasmuch as letter from the St. Paul Office to the Kansas City Office under date of February 14, 1935, advises that the investigation by the St. Paul Office in Minneapolis reflected that 601 9th Street, South is the residence of one Alice Conred, a known contact of the Sawyers. According to the above letter this place has been covered since the receipt of the telephone call from Mr. Tamm and it is quite apparent that the address in Minneapolis is undoubtedly the address referred to previously.

In the absence of information to the contrary further investigation in this respect is not being conducted at this time by the Kansas City Bureau Office.

Kansas City, Missouri, February 15, 1935.

MEMORANDUM.

RE: BREKID.

Reference is made to letter from the Director dated January 26, 1935, wherein it is stated that Mr. A. E. Seiberling, Westplains, Missouri, had written a letter to the Bureau advising that he could point out several hideouts in the vicinity of Westplains, Missouri, where Alvin Karpis might be.

Agent, accompanied by Special Agent Earl M. Heavrin, on 2-7-35, contacted A. E. Seiberling at the Earl & Ellis Cafe, Westplains, Missouri, and he advised that he could probably name a hideout which Karpis and Felix O'Donald (who is known as William Weaver) might contact.

Mr. Seiberling related that about three years ago Karpis, Fred Parker and William Weaver killed Sheriff Kelly, when the latter interrupted this gang while they were robbing a garment shop at Westplains, Missouri. He stated that they were later "flushed" from the home of Mrs. Viola Asher, who lives out in the country from Westplains, Missouri, on Highway No. 9 South. He stated that Mrs. Asher seldom came to town, but during the last ten days had been visiting what is known as the Brown Hotel in Westplains, Missouri. This hotel has been opened within the last two months by an Oklahoman named Brown, and who is undoubtedly acquainted with Mrs. Asher.

Seiberling was of the opinion that Brown runs a questionable place in Westplains, Missouri, and also was of the opinion that Mr. Armstrong, who runs the local drug store at West Plains, Missouri, could give more definite information concerning Mrs. Asher.

Agent contacted Mr. Armstrong of the local drug store at Westplains, Missouri, and he stated that he was on the committee which searched for Karpis and his gang after they killed Sheriff Kelly, and he, Armstrong, was the one who took Mrs. Asher into custody after the gang escaped from her farm about three years ago. He stated that at that time, he gave her a talk about cooperating with the authorities so as to cause the apprehension of this mob; that since that time, Mrs. Asher had never contacted or talked to Armstrong until about three days previous, when she came to Armstrong and asked whether there were any federal men in town. He stated he never answered her because he was of the opinion that she had some information which she wanted to tell some federal men, and he did not want to make her suspicious.

Agents located Mrs. Asher on the Public Square in Westplains, Missouri, and had a clerk at the Armstrong Drug Store bring her in the drug store under the pretense that Mr. Armstrong wanted to talk to her.

Agents questioned Mrs. Asher as to her inquiry in connection with her apparent desire to know whether Federal officers might be in Westplains, advising her they would investigate any information that she desired to tell them, and she immediately answered that she "merely wanted to tell them about a still, which was located in the woods near the Arkansas border." Agents advised Mrs. Asher that this Bureau does not have jurisdiction over investigations of liquor violations, the same being within the investigative jurisdiction of the Treasury Department; and it became noticeable that Mrs. Asher became white and faint. Agents stopped questioning her, and she again became herself. Mrs. Asher denied that she knew Alvin Karpis. It was plain, however, that this statement is untrue, in view of the fact that Karpis was run out of her place after killing Sheriff Kelly.

Mrs. Asher related that she has known Phoenix Donald, who is identical with William Weaver, since she was fifteen years of age. She admitted that Donald was chased by officers from her home after Sheriff Kelly had been killed, but she stated she has not seen him since this episode.

Agent at this point exhibited to Mrs. Asher a photograph of William Weaver, and she immediately fainted. Druggist Armstrong gave her some medicine, which brought her to consciousness.

Mrs. Asher related that a man known as "Blackie," who is now in the Little Rock Penitentiary, could give valuable information concerning the kidnaping of a brewer, stating that she received this information from a man known as "Jim Sivley" in Chickasha, Oklahoma, while she was down there during the early part of 1934.

It became apparent to Agents that Mrs. Asher was merely telling a lot of stories, and because of her suspicious actions, Agent Vandover deemed it advisable to confer with Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan by telephone, while Special Agent Heavrin kept Mrs. Asher in conversation. - It was decided after contacting the Kansas City office to make investigation at the farm of Mrs. Asher.

Agent, accompanied by Walter Endicott of the Westplains police force, proceeded to Mrs. Asher's farm before she arrived home from Westplains, and investigation there revealed that there were no cars parked on her farm and further that there was no activity in the house. However, arrangements were made with Walter Endicott, above mentioned, to place a man in the woods near Mrs. Asher's home, so that he could watch the same, and Mr. Endicott advised he would immediately call the Kansas City office should anyone of the aforementioned hoodlums contact Mrs. Asher.

L. S. Vandover, Special Agent.

With reference to the foregoing, further investigation was made on February 15, 1935 by Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, at which time the following facts were discovered:

" On Feb. 15, 1935, this Agent contacted Mrs. Kelley, wife of the late Sheriff Kelley at West Plains, Missouri, pursuant to instructions in the telegram from Special Agent in Charge Waters, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated February 11, 1935.

Mrs. Kelley advised that she had taken a very active part looking toward the apprehension of the alayers of her husband, the late Sheriff Kelley of West Plains, Missouri, who were alleged to be Arthur "Doc" Barker, Alvin Karpis, William Weaver and others. However, she stated that since the Division had taken up the search for the above named Subjects, she has made no effort whatsoever to endeavor to find their whereabouts. Mrs. Kelley said that on numerous occasions she had written letters to local police officers and authorities in towns where it was believed the above named might have had contacts but she felt that she could add little to the efforts of the Division since it had entered the Bremer case, and she has done nothing along that line for the past year. When questioned with reference to her alleged correspondence with Clifford Musse, former Postmaster at Shepardstown, Mrs. Kelley said that she herself had never corresponded with him and could give no information as to any contact that might have been had with him.

She advised that a number of persons in the vicinity of West Plains had interested themselves in the case, among these Arthur Graves, a reporter with the Springfield, Missouri Leader, who had lived at her home a year before Sheriff Kelley was killed, Mr. Billy Reinmiller, Frisco Special Agent stationed at Memphis, Tenn.; Don Jackson, Frisco Special Agent, Arkansas, and Nathan Massey, Missouri State Highway Patrol, Willow Springs, Mo. Mrs. Kelley said that none of them have given her any information within the past four months but she believed they all were still making efforts to find Karpis and Weaver, and thought that one of them may be in correspondence with Musse.

She advised that Viola Asher, in whose house near West Plains, the gang had their hideout, had remarried to a man named Rhodes and lives 16 miles out of West Plains but receives her mail in town. She said that Mrs. Rhodes was quite infatuated with Weaver and has a suspicion that he still corresponds with her. Mrs. Rhodes has relatives, apparently respectable people, between Birch Tree and Thomasville, Missouri, whom Mrs. Rhodes visits once or twice a week, and she has information that Karpis was seen in that vicinity five or six months ago. She communicated that information to State Trooper Massey. The writer made an effort to find Massey but learned that he was at Ozark, Mo. on a bank job.

Mrs. Kelley was given the address and telephone number of the

Kansas City Division office and if she discovers information of value concerning Mrs. Rhodes or the instant case will immediately communicate with the office.

At Fordland, Missouri this Agent, through the courtesy of Mr. Reed, the Postmaster, succeeded in locating the home of Mrs. Mae Johnson, wife of Otis Johnson, on Route 1, Fordland, Missouri, and sister of Wynona Burdette. The Johnsons lived between 10 and 14 miles back off the main highway and the road to their home is practically impassable due to the recent rains in this vicinity. After arriving there, Mrs. Lane, a neighbor, advised that Mr. and Mrs. Johnson had both left for Marshfield, Missouri with a load of chickens and would not be at home until the following day.

This office is in receipt of a letter from the Chicago Office under date of February 14, 1935, with which were transmitted the following:

1 Certificate of Title, State of Missouri, 1935, issued to George L. Harper, Box 12, Raytown, Jackson County, Missouri; number 4210181 for 1934 Pontiac Sedan, motor number 1058715;

Motor Vehicle Driver's license number 119030 issued to the same party;

Motor Vehicle license receipt of Missouri;

Letter to Subject Davis dated at Kansas City, Missouri January 31, 1935, and written by Esther Williams, 119 North Topping, Kansas City, Missouri.

This letter was among the personal effects of Volney Davis and was written by Miss Williams in reply to a letter apparently written by Davis under the alias of Harper after he became a member of "The Get-Acquainted Correspondence Club". Also there was transmitted one business card of Newman Fox Company, Kansas City, Missouri. These articles were turned over to Mr. E. J. Connelly, of the Chicago Bureau Office on February 6, 1935, by Special Agent T. E. Stakem and are part of the personal effects of Volney Davis. At the time of the apprehension of Davis in Kansas City, Missouri on February 6, 1935 he had in his possession approximately \$1100.00 in currency consisting of ten (10) \$100.00 bills and a number of smaller bills. This money was turned over to Special Agent in Charge Connelly by the Agents who accompanied Davis from Kansas City to Yorkville, Illinois. At the same time they turned over certain other personal effects taken from Davis which are indicated in the above mentioned letter from the Chicago Bureau Office dated February 14, 1935. There was also turned over to Mr. Connelly a list made of the currency and other effects. No copy of this was retained in Kansas City due to the limited time Davis was held here.

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The articles indicated in the letter from the Chicago Office dated February 14, 1935, will be retained in the Kansas City Bureau Office file and all leads in relation thereto carried out forthwith.

In connection with the money set out above which was recovered from Volney Davis at the time of his apprehension, it should be noted here that from the accurate examination made of the same during the time Davis was held in the Kansas City Bureau Office by Special Agents W. E. Miller and A. E. Farland, the denominations of the various bills found upon the person of Davis were as follows: Ten (10) \$100.00 bills and one (1) \$50.00 bill from his zipper belt; three (3) \$10.00 bills; Ten (10) \$5.00 bills and twelve (12) \$1.00 bills from a billfold; \$5.40 in silver from his trousers pocket, total \$1145.40. The serial numbers of this money were recorded by Special Agent Miller and the money, together with the aforementioned list and all other personal effects of Davis which had been previously removed from his person were delivered to Special Agent T. E. Stakem and were sealed in a large envelope, the money being sealed separately in a small envelope which was enclosed in the large envelope. Both envelopes were sealed and initialed by Special Agents Stakem and W. E. Miller.

At this point it is also worthy of mention that during the time Davis' personal property was being checked, as has been described above, Davis, in reply to questions concerning the Bremer kidnaping, stated that the only information he had that was apparently connected with the matter was "a box or some container which was taken up out of a hole in the floor or some similar place when he was on a trip with some parties to a small town some place in Illinois". He denied knowing the location of the town. This is being mentioned at this time inasmuch as a review of the reports in this case emanating from the Chicago Office will probably show that Davis, in making such a statement, has reference to the occasion when he, accompanied by Kate Barker and Irene Dorsey made a trip to the home of Irene Dorsey's uncle with a considerable amount of the ransom money. These facts have already been disclosed by Irene Dorsey in her statement made to Agents of the Chicago Bureau Office.

With further reference to the apartment occupied by Jess Doyle and Doris O'Connor, 23 Warner Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri, a number of boxes, bottles and containers bearing fingerprints were taken from this apartment by Special Agents H. A. Dietz, M. Kramer and W. E. Miller on the morning of February 7, 1935, at which time the surveillance at the above premises was discontinued. They are now held in the Kansas City Bureau Office under appropriate labels. Three of these boxes contained the label "R. S. Stevens, 9 Corners drug store, Southwest Boulevard and Jefferson Street". One bottle bears prescription number 157671, Dr. Jamie (apparently Dr. Nicolas Jamie), 2035 Broadway, 1-28-35, Mrs. Conley". The second bottle contained prescription number 157670, Dr. Jamie, with the name of Mrs. Conley partly obliterated by virtue of the label being scratched off. A glass bottle bearing the same

label but no writing of any kind, containing a clear liquid similar to glycerine or alcohol. Further investigation based upon these discoveries are likewise being pursued immediately by this office.

At the present time a 24 hour surveillance of Apartment 209 at 3028 Baltimore Avenue is being conducted by Agents of this office. It should be noted in this connection that during the interviews had by Agents of the Kansas City Office with Jess Doyle at Girard, Kansas, he informed them of the fact that Volney Davis and Edna Murray had resided in another apartment subsequent to the time they removed from 3213 Broadway. The latter address was the one given by Davis as his last place of residence. Doyle was unable to give the exact location of this apartment but generally described the neighborhood. Inquiries were made at the time of the receipt of this information by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan and Special Agent W. E. Miller with the result that the apartment was definitely located at 3028 Baltimore Avenue, Apartment 209. With the permission of the manager of this apartment, Mrs. Schupan, a thorough search was made of the apartment on February 9, 1935. It was found to have been apparently hurriedly vacated by its occupants who left at least the majority of their personal effects. The search disclosed no firearms or money of any description, there being one cartridge from a 401 rifle in one of the portable trunks in the apartment. There was a large quantity of men's clothing and a smaller quantity of woman's clothing, together with hand bags and trunks. This apartment was rented under the name of G. Harper on or about February 1, 1935. From the newspapers which had not been removed from the front of the apartment it was apparent it had not been occupied since February 6, 1935. In this connection, Doyle told the Agents that he had spent the day at this apartment after Davis had gone to obtain his automobile. They had vacated during the late afternoon of that day, proceeding from Kansas City to Pittsburg, Kansas that night. This phase of the matter was discussed with Mr. Connolly by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, by telephone, and, as a result, arrangements were effected with the manager of the apartment for Agents of this office to be "planted" in it against the possible return of Davis. Special Agents A. E. Farland, N. O. Scott, and E. M. Heavrin are presently in this apartment, appropriately armed, and will remain there until such time as it appears that this lead has no possible value.

There is being held in the Kansas City Bureau Office a receipt executed by George Noret, Deputy United States Marshal, dated February 11, 1935, at Girard, Kansas, for the transfer of all property recovered from Jess Doyle and Edna Murray by Agents of this office to the custody of the United States Marshal. However, as has been indicated in the body of this report, certain firearms have been retained in the possession of Sheriff Delanaide, of Crawford County, Kansas, which at the present time are still in his possession; also three guns and two automatic pistols, heretofore described, which have been forwarded to the Division for experimental purposes.

A copy of this report is being forwarded to all Bureau offices and it is respectfully requested that the same be closely examined for leads in the various districts and appropriate investigation be conducted immediately to exhaust the same.

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